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THE WAR IN FRANCE

The Bombardment at Paris—German Efforts to Avoid Shelling the Public Buildings—A Flag of Truce—Count Bismarck's Health.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A special dispatch to the London *Times* from Versailles the 17th, says:

"The bombardment of Paris proceeds slowly but steadily.

The gunners systematically avoid firing on the public buildings.

A flag of truce was today sent into the city with news-letters.

BISMARCK has been ill, but has partially recovered.

German and French Losses in the Battles with Chanzy—The French Retreating, Pursued by the Germans.

LONDON, Jan. 17—9 ½ P. M.—The German loss in the battles with Gen. CHANZY is officially stated to be 177 officers and 3,203 men killed and wounded.

The French lost, beside their killed and wounded, 2,000 unwounded prisoners.

LONDON, Jan. 17—10 P. M.—A dispatch just received from Versailles says the French, under Gen. CHANZY, are retreating from Laval. The German Army is in full pursuit, and has already passed the town of Vosges, fourteen miles east of Laval. Two thousand additional prisoners have been taken. [Laval is about 130 miles west-south-west of Paris, and forty-one north-east of Rennes and due east of Alençon.]

Alençon was occupied by the Germans on the night of the 16th.

Chanzy's 80,000 from Cherbourg Fail to Save Him—The Railroad at Alençon Cut by the Germans.

HAVRE, Jan. 18.—The force of 50,000 men which left Cherbourg to reinforce the Army of the Loire, failed to join it, the railway at Alençon having been cut by the enemy.

German Operations in the East—Gen. Werder Maintaining His Position near Belfort—Fighting Along the Entire Line on the 17th.

LONDON, Jan. 17—9 P. M.—The Germans on the 15th inst. dispersed a force of 1,000 Gardes Mobile near Langres. [Langres is a fortified town on the Upper Marne, about thirty miles north-north-east of Dijon. It stands on a scarped mountain, 1,460 feet high].

LONDON, Jan. 17—10 P. M.—Gen. VON WERDER maintained his position to the southward of Belfort on Monday, against renewed attacks from the French Army of the East. The German loss was comparatively small.

A dispatch dated at Pruntlut, 17th, reports renewed fighting today along the whole line.

Sharp Fighting on the Upper Saone—German Successes.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A German dispatch, dated Brewilliers, the 17th, reports that Gen. KEISER had occupied the towns of Frazier and Chambrier, taking the latter by surprise with 300 prisoners. The French afterward made sharp attacks on Chagny, Betencourt and Frazier. KEISER maintained his position. The fighting continued through three days, during which the German loss was 1,100 men.

Miscellaneous—Capture of a French Brig off Bordeaux—Operations in the North—Investment of Longwy.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A French brig, with a cargo of provisions, was captured off Bordeaux by the German frigate *Augusta*.

LONDON, Jan. 17—9 ½ P. M.—The investment of Longwy is complete, notwithstanding the attempts of the garrison to prevent the placing in position of the German batteries.

HAVRE, Jan. 18.—A small French force was attacked yesterday, near St. Romain, by the Prussians, and the village was shelled. The enemy was repulsed with considerable loss. The French had five men killed and ten wounded.

The Uhlans entered Bolbec and levied a contribution of 100,000 francs. The money not being forthcoming, the invaders seized the Mayor and chief citizens and carried them off as hostages for its payment.

THE EUROPEAN COMPLICATIONS.

Prussia Anxious for the Assembling of the Conference—Meeting of the Conference, and Adjournment to Jan. 24.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A special dispatch to the London *Times* from Versailles, the 17th, says that Prussia is urgent for the assembling of the Conference.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—At the Conference of European Powers which took place in this city yesterday, the various representatives having exchanged credentials, a motion was made to adjourn until Tuesday, Jan. 24, in the hope that the Plenipotentiary appointed to represent the French Government might arrive in the interval. The motion was adopted by the unanimous voice of the assembly, which thereupon adjourned.—*Evening Mail.*

Prussian Advice to Prince Henry of Luxembourg—Austrian Relations with Russia and Prussia—A Semi-Official Threat from St. Petersburg.

LONDON, Jan. 17—10 P. M.—The King of Prussia, in a letter to Prince HENRY of Luxembourg, counsels him to be prudent and cautious, and asserts that Prussia has never intended to attack the independence of Luxembourg.

The *Journal of St. Petersburg*, in a recent editorial, criticises in caustic language the reply of Baron VON BEUST to the note of Count GORTSCHAKOFF, and says distinctly that the policy of Austria is not calculated to secure the friendship of Russia or that of the Western Powers.

PESTH, Jan. 16.—During the debate on the Budget today Baron VON BEUST defended the policy of friendliness toward Prussia, and spoke with gratification of the improvement in the relations of the Imperial Government with Italy. He cautioned the delegates against despondency, which he called Austria's worst enemy.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

Assassination of Policemen in Ireland—The Russian Budget.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—There have been fresh cases of assassination of policemen in Ireland. It is reported that the Russian Budget is very satisfactory. The deficit amounts to only five million roubles, although the military expenditures are increased ten millions.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

CUBA.

The Hornet Reported Gone to Hayti—Surrender of More Insurgent Leaders.

HAVANA, Jan. 19.—The prisoners captured by the Spanish troops declare that the steamer *Hornet* has gone to Hayti. MANUAL RAYMON SILVA, the insurgent Governor of Camaguey, Dr. BARRIOL, and other insurgents of consequence, have surrendered themselves to the Spanish authorities at Puerto Principe.

DOUBLE MURDER.

A Steuben County Woman Shoots Her Brother and a Country Merchant—Unsuccessful Attempt to Kill Her Nephew Also—The Merchant the Cause of Talk About Her.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Jan. 19.—A terrible tragedy occurred in the town of Wayland, Steuben County, this morning. A Mrs. MARY HESS shot and instantly killed Mr. WILLIAM H. LEWIS, doing business in Wayland. He called upon her on business and she met him at the door and shot him dead. She then proceeded to the residence of her brother, Mr. WARREN NORTHRUP, some half mile distant from her own, and asked him to come out of doors, as she wished to speak to him privately. He declined to go out, but invited her into the house and led the way into a bedroom, she following closely. Just after he entered the bedroom door she placed a revolver to the back of his head and fired, the ball passing entirely through his head. She then closed the bedroom door and turned toward a son of Mr. NORTHRUP, who was in the sitting-room, but before she could fire upon him she was seized and the revolver taken from her. Mr. NORTHRUP lived until 4 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. HESS was taken into custody, and upon being interrogated as to why she had committed this double murder, she replied that she would learn Mr. LEWIS not to be the cause of so much talk as there had been about her. It is stated that she had not been on friendly terms with her brother. The circumstances of the case are being investigated by Coroner SMITH, of Bath.

THE STORM IN THE WEST.

Chicago Cut Off From Communication With the Outer World—Eastern News Received by Way of St. Louis and Omaha.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—The recent snow-storm here was almost unparalleled in this section for severity, isolating us for several days from the East. Appearing first in the Nevada mountains, it struck us on Friday, the 13th inst., and did not cease until Sunday night. Though not more than twenty-two inches of snow fell, it was piled up in fearful drifts in every direction. A storm of sleet, which accompanied or alternated with the snow, adhered to the telegraph wires, loading them down until they snapped in pieces. The wires from this point eastward for from 77 to 101 miles were wrecked as they never were before. Over 1,000 men have been at work night and day in making repairs. Communication with the outer world is re-established at last, and by to-morrow the Western Union lines will be fully restored. What little news we received from the East between Friday night and yesterday reached us by railroad express from Toledo, or by wire via Cincinnati, St. Louis and Omaha.

THE SOUTH.

Suits for Slaves Sold After Emancipation was Proclaimed—Outlaws in North Carolina—Affairs in New-Orleans.

RICHMOND, Jan. 19.—In the United States Circuit Court here today in a suit for money due for slaves purchased in 1863, the defendant put in a plea that LINCOLN'S emancipation proclamation had freed them before date of sale, and therefore their sale could not have lawfully been made. The Court took the case for decision. The decision will affect a large number of similar suits pending in the Southern States.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 19.—The commander of the Federal troops in Robeson County has telegraphed to Washington for more troops, the small number now in that county being unable to cope with the outlaws. As a measure of precaution, a squad of soldiers accompanies each train on the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad. It is conceded that but little can be done toward the capture of the outlaws without a large force of men.

NEW-ORLEANS, Jan. 19.—Three boats departed for the Red River yesterday and three today, all with good cargoes. The steam-ships *Mexican* and *W. S. Pike* collided today. The *Pike* was badly damaged, and had her starboard wheel-house carried away. There were two attempts at garroting last night, one of which was successful. Supervising Architect MULLETT has arrived here, and has taken steps looking to the completion of the New-Orleans Custom-house.

Gov. Scott, of South Carolina, and the Charges of Assassination—A Flat Denial.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 19.—The *News* today publishes a letter from Gov. SCOTT, pronouncing the allegations of HOGGETT, KERRIGAN and others in the New-York *Sun*, that they had been offered bribes by him to assassinate certain citizens of South Carolina, to be wholly false. The Governor's letter is corroborated by the statements of officials who were present at his interviews with HOGGETT, KERRIGAN and his companions.

The Steam-boat McGill Disaster—Escape of a Supposed Victim—What He Saw.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 19.—PHILLIP LOCK, of Philadelphia, who was reported among the lost by the recent burning of the steamer *McGill*, arrived here last night. He is badly burned. He says that out of twenty persons on the stage plank on the night of the disaster, only seven were saved. The charred remains of the bodies of several of the victims still lie on the wreck.

Anniversary of the Birthday of Gen. Lee—Observance at Lexington, Va.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 19.—In Lexington, today, all the business houses were closed, it being the anniversary of the birthday of Gen. LEE. There was a public demonstration, and an address was delivered at Washington College by Hon. J. P. HOLCOMBE.

The New-Jersey State Agricultural Society—Programme for Next Season.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 18.—The New-Jersey State Agricultural Society has been in session here during the day, and appointed the following officers for the ensuing year: N. N. HALSTEAD, of Newark, President; Judge HOAGLAND, A. W. MARKLEY, and S. ECE, Vice-Presidents; Wm. M. FORD, of Newark, Secretary; C. G. CRANE, of Newark, Treasurer. Tuesday, the 19th of September next, was selected as the day for the commencement of the annual State Fair, and a strawberry fair will be held in Elizabeth in June. The Treasury being low in funds, 797 shares of the stock of the Society were ordered to be offered to the members, when Mr. E. G. BROWN, of Elizabeth, offered to purchase them. The offer was accepted. The Society is now in the possession of ample funds.

THE EAST.

Cheap Suburban Transit at Boston—Seizure of a Brewery—Burglars Baffled in a Vermont Bank.

BOSTON, Jan. 19.—Hon. JOSIAH QUINCY appeared before the Legislative Railway Committee today, and advocated his plan for cheap trains for working people residing in the suburbs, after which further consideration of the subject was postponed to enable Mr. QUINCY to prepare a bill.....A brewery, with 500 barrels of ale and other property, amounting in value to $10,000, has been seized by the revenue officers. Proceedings for forfeiture have been commenced in the United States Courts.....The Waterbury (Vt.) National Bank building was broken into last night by burglars, who commenced to operate upon the safes. The door of one was blown open, but an inner safe resisted all attempts to open it, and the burglars were forced to retire, leaving their implements behind them. No funds were obtained.

A Donation of the Net Proceeds of the Fechter Testimonial in Boston—The New-Hampshire Democrats.

BOSTON, Jan. 19.—Mr. FECHTER has given the net receipts of his benefit, amounting to $3,248, to charities; dividing $3,000 amongst twelve of the most deserving institutions in Boston, and requesting the balance to be given to the dramatic fund, if any such exists in the city.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 19.—The Democratic State Committee met at Eagle Hotel to-night and effected an organization. LEWIS W. CLARK, of Manchester, was chosen Chairman, and M. W. B. EDGERLY, of Manchester, Treasurer. It was voted to leave the selection of a Secretary to the Chairman.

The Weather on Mount Washington.

SUMMIT MOUNT WASHINGTON, Jan. 19—7 P. M.—Barometer, 23.99, being a change since last report of plus 22; thermometer, 10° above zero; relative humidity, 58; wind south-west; velocity of wind, 12 miles per hour. There was a cloudless sky at sunrise this morning, except a short band of clouds two degrees in width to the south-east and mist along the coast. The shadows of the mountains could be seen distinctly both at sunrise and sunset far above the horizon.

THE WEST.

The Dee and Thomas Incident in the Virginia Senate Revived in Missouri—Lincoln Statue in the Ohio Capitol.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 19.—A concurrent resolution, expressing regret that the Senate of Virginia refused to purchase the portrait of Gen. THOMAS after having ordered one of Gen. LEE, thus discriminating in favor of the country's enemies and against its defenders, was tabled in the House today by a vote of 72 to 47. A concurrent resolution was introduced in the Senate, looking to an amendment to the Federal Constitution, declaring that the writ of habeas corpus shall not be denied to citizens at any time or under any circumstances.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 19.—The Lincoln Memorial statue, in the rotunda of the State House, was unveiled to-night. Gov. HAYS presided, and speeches were made by Gens. DURBIN, WARD and W. H. ENOCHS. The Auditor of the State today revoked the authority of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Life Insurance Company, of New-York City, to do business in Ohio.

Denial of a Report of Shipments of Diseased Beef.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—A statement appeared a few days ago in the Boston *Journal*, to the effect that the dressed beef from the West was from diseased animals. The statement is not true. At no time within the past five years have Western cattle been in better condition, or has the beef sent East been of better quality.

BONDED GOODS.

Regulations for Transportation on Railroads—Modifications Asked For and Granted.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Today a committee of gentlemen, mostly railroad men, consisting of Messrs. RICHARD SMITH, W. H. HARRINGTON, B. EGGLESTON, and H. D. HUNTINGTON, representing the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, called upon Secretary BOUTWELL in relation to a modification of the recent regulations, made under the Port of Entry act of July 4, 1870, governing the transportation of goods in bond across the continent without breaking bulk. The Committee represented that, having conferred with Western importing merchants and officers of railroad companies, they found that the following provisions would remove the main objections and receive immediate action on the part of merchants and railroad companies:

First—Special inspectors of the Treasury Department, on the line of bonded railroads, not to be appointed, except in extraordinary cases, where the Secretary of the Treasury may deem it necessary.

Second—Railroad companies, whose terminus may be at the port of first arrival, to give general bond, which shall be construed to cover the transportation of goods to the port of final destination.

Third—Importers may give bonds for any specific amount to cover imports double the value of each invoice, including duties to be entered on their bonds, and delivery of the amounts for which such bonds are given shall thus be executed, new bonds to be executed. Bonds may also be given to cover special invoices. All bonds to be given to and executed by the Collector of the port of final destination, and a certificate that such bonds are satisfactory to that officer shall be sufficient evidence for the Collector at the port of final arrival.

Fourth—The examination of goods at the port of first arrival shall be for the purpose of identifying packages only.

Fifth—On page 9 of Regulations, third line, strike out "each package," and insert "the same;" and in form "A," second and last column, make "A" read "dutiable value of invoice," instead of "dutiable value of package."

Sixth—Where a railroad company may not have sufficient bonded goods to fill a car, they may carry other goods in the same car, provided bonded goods, in such cases, are placed in boxes, to be locked and sealed by the Collector of the port of first arrival in the same manner as provided for the cars.

Seventh—An officer or bureau is to be established at each port of first arrival to attend to the examination of goods for transportation in bond, and such officers shall be required to give special and immediate dispatch to such goods.

The Secretary, in reply, says that several of the suggestions made in the above letter have been considered by the Department in a correspondence with Hon. G. A. FINKELNBURG, and he incloses a copy of that correspondence for their information. The first, second and fourth suggestions of the Committee are in substance in accordance with the regulations of the Department, and will be acted on unless experience should indicate reasons for a different course. The fifth suggestion will be complied with in the administration of the law, unless in cases where the invoice shall be divided for the purpose of transportation, or for some other special reason, it shall be necessary to enter the dutiable value of the package.

The sixth suggestion has been provided substantially as set forth in the letter to Mr. FINKELNBURG. The seventh suggestion is in substance provided for by the law which requires the Collector of the Port of first arrival to give priority in time to the examination of goods and merchandise for the purpose of forwarding the same to their port of destination, and no presentation is deemed necessary by the Department. The officers of the Customs will be required to comply with the law. The third suggestion cannot be adopted without further legislation.

After a careful examination of the statute, and conference with Mr. BANFIELD, the Solicitor of the Treasury, the Secretary is of opinion the importer must give a bond in each case, but it may be made and approved at the port of final destination, and transmitted to the Collector of the port of first arrival, who will receive without question, and send forward the goods.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

The Weather—Railroad Robbers Sentenced—The Sutro Tunnel—Cotton—Dion and Deery En Route for New-York.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—The weather is quite warm and showery.....The three robbers of the Central Pacific Railroad express train in Nevada, have been sentenced, each to thirty years in the State Prison.....The Sutro Tunnel is in 1,780 feet, with the indications of approaching a ledge increasing.....A car-load of California cotton was shipped yesterday for the Atlantic side.....DION and DEERY, the billiard players, were among the passengers overland for the East, yesterday.

THE INCOME TAX.

Comparisons of the Years 1869 and 1870—Working of the Modifications of the Law.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The comparative statement has been prepared at the Internal Revenue Office, showing the number of persons assessed for income in the several States and Territories in 1869 and 1870, from which it appears that the total number in 1869 was 272,843, and in 1870, 275,248. This is complete, with the exception of the Eleventh New-York District, for which returns for 1870 have not yet been received. The following shows the number of persons assessed for income in 1869 and 1870, in each of the classes below mentioned:

First—Tax of $20 or less; number in 1869, 107,907; number in 1870, 112,494.

Second—Over $20 and not over $50; number in 1869, 69,184; number in 1870, 68,501.

Third—Over $50 and not over $100; number in 1869, 41,196; number in 1870, 40,594.

Fourth—Tax over $100 and not over $500; number in 1869, 45,402; number in 1870, 44,496.

Fifth—Tax over $500; number in 1869, 9,464; number in 1870, 9,243.

Total number in 1869, 272,843; total number in 1870, 275,248.

Under the act of July 14, 1870, raising the exemption from $1,000 to $2,000, 177,181 of the persons assessed in 1869, and 180,925 of those assessed in 1870, are relieved from the income tax altogether, and 95,462 persons in 1869, and 94,323 persons in 1870, would each return a tax of $50 less.

NEW SENATORS.

A Banquet to Blair in St. Louis—The Senatorial Elections in Minnesota.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 19.—A grand banquet will be given to Gen. BLAIR on Saturday night by his friends here. All the State officers and members of both Houses of the Legislature have been invited, and most of them will be present. He will leave for Washington on Sunday night.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 17.—The Legislature today elected Hon. WM. WINDOM as United States Senator for the long term, and Hon. O. P. STEARNS for the short term. They are both Republicans.

Masonic.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 19.—The M. W. Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons met in Regular Communication on Wednesday, 18th inst., at Freese Hall. The session was honored on that day with the presence of M. W. RICHARD VAUX, P. G. M. of Pennsylvania. Today the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: M. W. Grand Master, William E. Pine, of Newark; Deputy Grand Master, W. W. Goodwin, of Camden; Senior Grand Warden, Nathan Haines, of Burlington; Junior Grand Warden, William B. Bently; Grand Treasurer, W. R. Clapp; Grand Secretary, Joseph H. Hough; Deputy Grand Secretary, W. D. Butan; Grand Chaplain, Rev. Henry Veahlage; S. G. D., T. N. Bently; J. G. D., H. Wells; Grand Marshal, G. B. Edwards; G. S., C. C. Wells, W. H. Page; G. S. B., S. A. Beckhart; G. P., C. G. Chipman; Grand Tyler, Amos Hourd; Grand Lecturer, William Meade; Visitor to German Lodges, L. Kiezling.

Attempted Assassination of the "Boss" of a Pennsylvania Colliery.

POTTSVILLE, Penn., Jan. 19.—Yesterday, the "boss" of the Lake Fetter Colliery, while returning to his home from the colliery, was shot at, the ball passing close to his head, by some person lying in ambush by the roadside. This colliery is one of the three or four collieries now in operation in the coal region. The collieries now working are in the Shamokin region, and work with a light force only.

The Albany Express Robbery—Further Postponement of the Filkins Examination.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 19.—The examination of the case of JOHN J. FILKINS was further postponed till to-morrow, at the request of his counsel. HALPINE, the messenger, is able to walk about the hospital. FILKINS has not been confronted with him.

Destructive Fire in Troy—Loss, $62,000.

TROY, N. Y., Jan. 19.—A destructive fire occurred here this evening. The buildings, occupied as stores, &c., by JOHN WARR, THOMAS GODSON & SON, harness-makers; and DARR & STONE, clothiers, were entirely consumed. The loss is estimated at $62,000, and is fully insured. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

CRIME IN JERSEY CITY.

Mysterious Death by Poisoning—Murder or Suicide—A Son Suspected of Causing His Father's Death.

At 1 o'clock this morning ALBERT S. NORTON, a butcher, aged about fifty years, died at his house, No. 220 Grand-street, Jersey City. The circumstances attending his death are suspicious, and indicate the possibility that a terrible and premeditated crime has been committed. Officer SINGLETON was accosted by MORTON'S son a few minutes before 1 o'clock, and was requested to go to the house of the young man's brother to apprise the latter of the fact that his father had taken poison. The officer learning that a doctor had not been called, directed the young man where to go for one, and hastened to the house. He found the man dead. In the room were the young man who had first accosted him, and another, an elder brother, who had remained in the house. To the officer's inquiries as to the cause of their father's death, the elder brother replied that he had been "drinking too much whisky." Upon being questioned more closely, however, and being informed that his younger brother had said that his father had taken poison, he admitted that he had taken "a powder." He was compelled to find the paper from which the powder had been taken, and he indicated the spot with precision. The paper was marked "Poison" in large letters, and contained a small quantity of arsenic. Another paper emptied of its contents was found on the floor.

Coroner BURNS was notified of the case by Officer SINGLETON. Also left Officer REEN in charge of the house and of the young men. The latter will be held until an investigation can be had and a discovery made to indicate the person who bought the poison. It is stated by the Police that the elder brother, whose statements were so contradictory, and whose manner was so suspicious throughout, is a State Prison convict, and a hard character. The unfortunate man whose life is so mysteriously ended was yesterday upon the streets in full health and good spirits. No reason can be assigned for his committing suicide, and the suspicion is therefore stronger that there has been foul play.

A Queer Female Temperance Lecturer in Poughkeepsie—Her Character Discovered by a Photograph.

From Our Own Correspondent.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Thursday, Jan. 19, 1871.

A young woman who gave her name as MATTIE PATERSON, came into town on Saturday last, advertised herself as a temperance lecturer, lectured to a fair audience on Sunday evening, and left town on Wednesday night, having neglected to pay some of her bills, and having had the attention of the Police fastened upon her through a photograph in the possession of the City Marshal. This was sent to him in a letter in November last. The letter was dated Columbus, Ohio, and was signed by the name BOUGHTON. In it the writer stated that the inclosed was a photograph of his wife, that she left him in New-Haven, Conn., a short time previous; that he was informed that she was then in Newburg in company with a book agent named MUNGER, and that the two were living together as man and wife. The writer supposed they would come to Poughkeepsie, and if they did he wished Chief BUSH to arrest the woman at once. But he afterward added in a postscript: "If she comes to your place go and see her and try to induce her to come back to me." The woman while here was very scantily attired, and was almost shoeless. The man MUNGER is known to the Police, and is pronounced a "beat."

EUROPEAN MAIL NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF THE CUNARD STEAM-SHIP CUBA.

The steam-ship *Cuba*, which left Liverpool on Jan. 7 and Queenstown on Jan. 8, reached this port yesterday. Her advices are fresher by two days than those at hand by the *City of Paris*.

PRUSSO-AUSTRIAN RELATIONS.

A "Permanent Friendship" Between the Two Countries.

Speaking was begun by Mr. MERRIMAN, who blamed the King of Prussia and the Lord Mayor about equally. Mr. MERRIMAN'S speech was followed by "three groans for GLADSTONE." Dr. MACKAY spoke subsequently, and expressed an opinion that without the assistance of "the pusillanimous British Government" the French people would yet succeed in freeing their soil from the invader. Sir HENRY HOARE said he did not believe that in the present state of European affairs any country could have any influence whatever unless she was prepared to back her arguments by force, and it was for the people of England to say whether they were ready to back their sympathies by force. He asked them whether they were prepared to make the necessary sacrifices of blood, men and money. This was received with cries of "No, no," and "Yes, yes." He believed it would be a statesmanlike policy to hold out the hand of this country to France, and to set her once more upon her legs, to be again, as she would be, one of the defenders of constitutional liberty. The first of the resolutions adopted was thus worded: "That we, citizens of London, in public meeting assembled, declare our abhorrence of the war now waged by Prussia in France. We do so in the interest of both countries, as well as on behalf of peace, justice and humanity; and in the conviction that equitable terms can be more easily arranged at the present than at any future stage of this devastating conflict, we call on her Majesty's Government to press for effectual negotiations between Prussia and France, with the view of procuring an honorable and lasting peace." The next resolution, which was in favor of recognizing the present Government of France, was opposed, and declared by the Chairman to be lost, though on a second vote it appeared to be carried. Another resolution (the one Sir HENRY HOARE moved) was to this effect: "That we, citizens of London, are compelled to record our reprobation of the policy of Prussia since the surrender of Sedan, in continuing the war for territorial aggrandizement, and prosecuting it with a severity alike unwise and unmerciful." It was further resolved to call a meeting at the West-end either in Exeter Hall or St. James' Hall, and to send a memorial to Mr. GLADSTONE, embodying the views expressed in the resolutions.

Another meeting for the same object, held last night in the New Hall of Science, Old-street road, was much better attended by persons whose names are known to the public. Mr. AUSTIN HOLYOAKE presided, and announced that Prof. BESSLY and Dr. CONGREVE were unavoidably absent, but had written letters expressive of hearty sympathy with the objects of the meeting. The latter gentleman added that he was of opinion that war by an alliance with France would be the only effectual check to Prussian aggression. Mr. C. BRADLAUGH said that since the offers of peace made by JULES FAVRE, the war was one of aggression, revenge and monarchical ambition, which it was the duty of every honest man to protest against. If he remembered rightly, Count BISMARCK had said that "he would stew the Parisians in their own juice." War made men monsters, and it was the duty of peoples to endeavor to take out of the hands of their rulers the power to make war in their name.

THE WAR.

A Prussian Officer's Experience of Captivity.

A Prussian officer, who was captured before Paris early in December, and exchanged after three days' captivity, has given an account of his treatment and experiences in a Berlin paper. It is just, however, to quote the *London Times*, perceived with some caution. He was first taken before the commandant of St. Denis, Admiral LA RONCIERE, who provided him with an elegant civilian costume, invited him to a sumptuous dinner, placed a carriage and a commissionaire as interpreter at his disposal, and, on his promise not to quit Paris, allowed him to go at large. He was afterward presented to Gen. SCHMITZ, the head of Gen. TROCHU's staff, who received him very courteously and conducted him to Gen. TROCHU, who also offered him a capital dinner. In the course of conversation the General asked why the German staff gave no intimation of the commencement of the bombardment, to which the officer replied that, as a soldier, he was sent simply to obey orders, and did not know the intentions of his superiors. Gen. TROCHU rejoined, rather excitedly, that he was anxious for the beginning of the bombardment, as the German guns could only bombard the quarters chiefly inhabited by the mob, who were the greatest incumbrance to him in his undertakings. He should be glad in that way to lose a couple of hundred thousand of these *canaille*. He also stated that he was accurately acquainted with the hostile positions at all points, and was convinced that he could silence the German guns by the French batteries. He went into details as to the construction of the former, and expressed an opinion that their range was less than that of the French field artillery. The officer saw various herds of cattle round Paris, and in a restaurant where he breakfasted, and had beefsteak, vegetables and wine for three francs, there was much life and bustle. In the streets, too, there was much activity, and vegetables were offered on low terms in the markets.

Biographical Sketch of Chanzy.

The following notice of CHANZY has reached us, says the *Pall Mall Gazette*, and although some of the particulars have been published, some of them are new, as far as we are aware. This officer is a native of the Ardennes, and is said as a lad to have had an uncontrollable passion for the sea, which was effectually cured by sending him a year's cruise as a cabin-boy when young. Entering St. Cyr at seventeen, he had a high name there, and was commissioned, after the usual course, into a regiment which soon received the whole of his early career in Africa, and left it only to go as a Major in the Italian campaign, where he distinguished himself at Solferino, and won his Lieutenant-Colonelcy. At his own request he was soon afterward sent back to Africa, which he reached with the rank of Colonel, and was very soon after—for Marshal VAILLANT had an inkling of the superior qualities he developed in Italy—raised to the rank of Brigadier-General, which he held when the war broke out. He may be said, therefore, to be thoroughly brought up in that very Algerian school, which is now, perhaps, condemned with as much over-severity as it once was unduly exalted. Those who believe—and they just now are very numerous—that a long career of warfare among barbarians actually unfits a soldier for taking part in a European campaign, should watch CHANZY with especial interest.

FLOODED ROME.

Further Particulars Concerning the Inundation of the Tiber.

Rome (Dec. 29) Correspondence of the Pall Mall Gazette.

In the Leonine City the flood has completely surrounded the Vatican, but today it is so far abated that visitors can reach the apostolic palace in a carriage by allowing the horses to wade up to their bellies. The Pope has shown his usual sympathy for the poor in this emergency, sending out large sums of money, which have greatly alleviated the prevailing misery. The Holy Father's gifts were especially beneficial among the Jews in the Ghetto, where, owing to the proximity of the Tiber, the flood poured in without a moment's notice, and consequently committed the greatest havoc. The Pope received on his fête-day several presents of money, in sums varying from 200,000 to 30,000 francs, and he is thus able to give freely. France, in the midst of her deadly struggle for existence, sent him 170,000 francs. The Holy Father gave audiences to the Corps Diplomatique, including M. LEFEVRE, Charge d'Affaires of France. The prelates consider it a bad omen that the number of receptions was thirteen. I am informed that an officer from the King of Italy presented himself daily at the Vatican for nearly a fortnight with a letter from the King to the Pope, asking him to relieve King AMADEUS from the excommunication laid on the House of SAVOY, but was finally told by Cardinal ANTONELLI that the letter could not be received. The delay, however, indicates hesitation on the part of the Pope, and consequently the existence of a more conciliatory disposition.

THE FENIANS ARRIVED.

A Scrub-Race for the Capture of the Irish Voters.

Meetings of the Various Societies—Proceeding Down the Bay—The Cuba Boarded by the Rival Committees—A Row in the Cabin of the Cuba—Speeches by all Hands.

At length, after much anxious expectation, some of the released Fenian prisoners have arrived. At about 9 o'clock last night the *Cuba* appeared at Upper Quarantine, and lay anxiously and oft-asked question as to how many of the released Fenians were actually on board was solved. They turned out to be five only in number—Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa, the best known, perhaps, of all; Charles Underwood O'Connell, John Devoe, Capt. John McClure and Henry S. Mulleda. They met with what, at first, seemed a magnificent reception, but what was in reality to the evident sorrow of the men whom it was intended to honor—a political move, resulting in dissatisfaction, disunion, and a failure to achieve that genuine éclat which was desired by many.

THE COLLECTOR'S COMMITTEE.

The Committees of the Fenian organizations, which Collector MURPHY marshaled to capture the coming voters, yesterday, spent the greater portion of the day at the Astor House, in Parlor No. 14. About 9 o'clock they went down to the custer *Bronx*, in order not to lose any time in case the *Cuba* should be signaled, but at the suggestion of the Collector they soon after returned to the Astor House. At 7 o'clock the meeting was called to order by Gen. MILLEN, who stated that he had just had an interview with the Collector, and had made arrangements to frustrate the plans adopted by the Tammany organization to forestall this Committee. The *Antelope* had already gone down to be in wait for the *Cuba*, but a revenue cutter would be dispatched immediately with a boarding officer with instructions to run outside the Hook, wait for the *Cuba*, and when she arrived, board her and prevent any persons save the members of the Committee from communicating with the refugees. A meeting would be held at 8½ o'clock, when it would be determined whether the Committee should remain at the Astor House until the dispatch announcing the arrival of the *Cuba* should be received, or whether they would go down the bay in the cutter *Bronx*.

Col. KELLY called attention to the fact that there was trouble with the Washington delegation, which he suggested be referred to a committee for investigation. It appeared that one delegation was appointed at a regular meeting, and after their departure an adjourned meeting was held, at which another delegation was appointed.

Gen. MILLEN stated that the whole Committee were the guests of the United States, under the protection of the Collector, and that both Washington delegations would be permitted to take part in the proceedings. The difficulty would not, therefore, be referred to any committee of this body.

Major DOWNING then said that he would peremptorily withdraw the Washington delegation, of which he was Chairman.

Dr. BELL deprecated any such course, and urged that harmony should prevail. It was discourteous to the Collector, whose guests they were, and insulting to the United States Government, who had determined to give protection to those refugees who had been driven from the hellish cruelty of British dungeons.

The Chairman then declared further discussion out of order, and directed that the meeting stand adjourned until 8½ o'clock.

Subsequently Gen. MILLEN returned to the room, and stated that young ROSSA and Capt. O'BRIEN were on board the cutter, which would first be dispatched, and suggested that such of the Committee as were then in the room go on board the *Bronx*, and there wait until the *Cuba* was signaled. The suggestion was adopted, and the party left the Astor House, and proceeded by twos and threes to the point of destination.

Collector MURPHY, on leaving the Custom-house at about 6 o'clock, proceeded to the barge-office, where he remained until 7½, and then went on board the *Bronx*. Soon after, that cutter left Pier No. 3 North River, and sailed down the bay, and a short time afterward a dispatch was received at the barge-office announcing that the *Cuba* was in the offing. Among the party left behind by the sudden departure of the *Bronx* were a number of United Irishmen, but the whole of the Irish refugees were, singularly enough, on hand in time. During the afternoon it was observed that there were contentions and jealousies cropping out among the Committee, and fears were expressed lest one party might, to use a familiar phrase, indorse the other. The result proves that the fears were correctly grounded.

The following letter was prepared for presentation to the refugees on behalf of the Directory of United Irishmen:

To Jeremiah O'Donovan (Rossa) and Comrades, recently released from English Prisons, on board Steamer Cuba:

GENTS: The directors of the United Irishmen, desirous of showing their appreciation of your labors and sufferings on behalf of Ireland, hereby present to you one thousand dollars as their mite. This, coming as it does from an organization composed mostly of your personal friends who are not blessed with much of this world's goods, will, we believe, be as duly appreciated by you as the magnificent sum about to be presented to you by some of the wealthy gentlemen of this Metropolis. We heartily concur in the sentiments of the address presented to you by the sections of the district of New-York, and hoping that that good God who has preserved you for the past few years may preserve and protect you for many years to come, to enable you to return to your native land, not a pardoned exiles, but as free citizens of an Irish nation.

Hon. J. W. FITZGERALD,
Cincinnati, Ohio, Chairman.
RICHARD MCCLOUD, New-York City,
Central Treasurer.
W. J. NICHOLSON, Troy, N. Y., Secretary.
JOHN BRENNAN, Philadelphia, Penn.
FRANCIS AGNEW, Chicago, Ill.
MICHAEL BOLAND, Louisville, Ky.
PATRICK WALSH, Cleveland, Ohio.

The following address also had been prepared, which the Chairman, RICHARD MCCLOUD, had no opportunity of delivering, because he was left behind by the *Bronx*:

To the Released Irish Political Prisoners:

In the name of the United Irishmen of the District of New-York, we tender you the welcome which is your due, not alone as brothers in the same holy cause in which we are enlisted, but as representatives of the great principle of liberty, which has found in you some of its worthiest and most consistent exponents. For that principle for the Irish nationalists of the past, in whose footsteps you have faithfully trodden, dared the worst at the hands of the oppressors of our native land. Upon the altar of their country they sacrificed everything that men hold dear—gave up friends, home, wealth, preferment and all the inducements by which men are impelled to strive for the esteem and approval of their fellow-mortals. In the opinion of the worldly and venal they failed; but all true Irishmen, regarding their actions and achievements with the eyes of patriots, know that they did not teach, struggle and die in vain. Generation after generation they made their mark in the age in which they lived; and the records of their lives and their sacrifices remain bright as beacon-lights upon the stormy sea of revolution, to point out to those who come after them the only path by which the freedom of their country may be won.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAM-SHIP COLUMBIA.

The steam-ship *Columbia*, which left Havana on Jan. 14, arrived at this port yesterday. By the courtesy of Purser MAGNA, the interesting correspondence reproduced below was promptly delivered at this office.

The Situation—Appearance of the "Hornet"—The Case of Mr. Zenea—War Items—Miscellaneous Gossip.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 14, 1870.

According to popular rumor, this is to be the last day of grace given by VALMASEDA, and to-morrow operations will begin in earnest throughout the island. Operations have begun "in earnest" several times, and, so far, the result has not been of a kind to show that the insurrection will positively be over in one, or two, or more months. That the Cubans are in a worse condition at present than they were some months since cannot be doubted, but the changes come so suddenly, and the whole war is so peculiar, that perhaps in a week they may have regained all the advantages lost, especially if the *Hornet* and other craft known to be on the way manage to land their cargoes of freight and men. The *Hornet* is the nightmare of the Spanish Army and Navy, while every resource of the Government is brought into play to prevent her from landing. The gun-boats are cruising along the exposed coasts, and are continually running up and down, under a full head of steam.

APPEARANCE OF THE "HORNET."

On Sunday last, the gun-boat *Fumuri* was steaming along quietly near Puerto del Padre when the man at the lookout noticed a red flag on shore, flung to the breeze from a tree on a slight eminence. In a few moments the flag was taken down, and the suspicions of the commander of the gun-boat being thus aroused, he ran rapidly toward the coast and seeing nothing at Puerto del Padre, went to windward, whence he had just come. There he saw the *Hornet* quietly off Punta Guincho. If anything has been landed from the *Hornet* it was done during the morning, as on the previous day the spot where she then was had been cruised over by the same gun-boat. A number of men were seen on the *Hornet*, who quickly landed a boat in which some persons were seen to go on shore. Then she veered about and steamed out to sea, escaping with the utmost ease, while the gun-boat sent shot and shell after her, the missiles failing to reach. From a deserter one of the Spanish commanders on shore learned that arms and men had been landed, and this is probably the case, but nothing positive will probably be known until the *Hornet* returns to New-York. Another report also from a *prescindado* is, that on Tuesday several bands went from San Cristobal toward Manati in order to receive arms. This would seem to indicate that the *Hornet* might have landed part or the whole of her cargo in the Bay of Manati after having failed to land at Punta Guincho. The Cubans in Havana are of the opinion that the cargo and men have been landed, and one man assured your correspondent that he knew positively that such was the fact. Whether he has the means of obtaining correct information is unknown to me.

THE CASE OF MR. ZENEA.

A telegram was received here stating that Mr. JUAN CLEMENTE ZENEA, the gentleman who was captured with Mrs. CESPEDES, had been tried and executed at Puerto Principe; but this was false, Mr. ZENEA having arrived here yesterday by the steamer *Moctezuma*. Mr. ZENEA will undoubtedly be tried here, and he stands a better chance of escaping the death penalty than the Agueros and others. If VALMASEDA obtains any advantages of importance in the field, he may possibly commute it to ZENEA'S punishment; but if not, public opinion will compel VALMASEDA to let the Spanish law take its course. Mr. ZENEA enjoys excellent health and was in excellent spirits. As he is a very determined and finely-educated gentleman, it is extremely doubtful if the authorities will be able to obtain much, if any, information from him.

WAR ITEMS.

VICTORIO CARDOZO, the second in command of PEDRO CAPOTE'S division, had deserted and surrendered to the Spaniards....The Cubans attacked and destroyed the coffee plantation and buildings of Mr. ADRIANO DANDINOT, near Santiago de Cuba....ANGEL A. RODRIGUEZ and JUAN ANTONIO COVALES were executed at Santiago de Cuba, having occupied positions in the civil and military departments of free Cuba.... The troops have destroyed a number of huts wherein the army of MADRINALES encamped; some of the men were killed. MADRINALES has about five hundred men and BEMBETA three hundred....President CESPEDES was at Canario on the 8th....A few more of the inhabitants of the Cienaga de Zapata have surrendered; to judge from appearance, they belonged to the non-combatants, and their loss will not be severely felt by the insurgents.

MISCELLANEOUS GOSSIP.

Previous to the departure of Mrs. CESPEDES it was supposed that some disturbance might take place if she was allowed to leave, but nobody paid any attention to this. Today's *Diario* says that it expects Mrs. CESPEDES to allow all sorts of uncontradicted stories to circulate regarding her supposed ill-treatment, &c. As Mrs. CESPEDES is a lady, the *Diario* will find itself mistaken. Politics and truth may go hand and hand sometimes. QUASIMODO.

ENGLAND AND TURKEY.

Address to the Sultan.

The delegates from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, who waited upon the Sultan when that sovereign visited England in 1867, to express "their affection for him as the head of a country to which theirs was so largely indebted for acts of hospitality and good faith, and especially for the example set by it in respect of the administration of justice and the levying of taxes," have sent to him an address referring to the repudiation by Russia of the engagements of the Treaty of Paris. The numerous allegations contained in this address are summed up in the utterance of the belief that "inasmuch as Russia never respects her treaties, while Turkey always respects hers, the delegates believe that Russia is about to demand new restrictions upon the Forte." The delegates, therefore, "hoped that on receipt of the Russian notification as to the invalidity of the treaty, a Turkish fleet would enter the Black Sea, while a Turkish army would cross the Danube and put an end to the usurpation existing in the Danubian Provinces." They also trusted that the riparian Committee would be dissolved, and that the Sultan would "profit by the liberty accorded by the Emperor of Russia, to keep open or closed the Straits of the Dardanelles and of the Bosphorus, as the judgment of the Porte only might dictate." The point of the address, though, lies in its concluding paragraphs, which read thus: "Learning that Prince GORTSCHAKOFF'S letter has been given to your Majesty, we were alarmed, not by the demands of Russia, but by a fear lest your Majesty, like our beloved sovereign, had no servants sufficiently enlightened, or sufficiently courageous to avail themselves of a proposal which frees forthwith the Ottoman Empire from the fetters wrought for it by the bad faith of Russia with the collusion of Europe. Made aware from our previous acquaintance with the subject and by the reply of our Foreign Secretary, written, without consultation with the Queen, on the day following the receipt of Prince GORTSCHAKOFF'S letter and reproduced in the newspapers, that nothing is to be hoped from the wisdom of our statesmen, and satisfied that the folly of our diplomatists will lead our country into a pretended combination against Russia, but really, as in 1854, into one shaped by her, we fall at the feet of your Majesty, the only sovereign on earth who can deliver us from the dangers threatening us. We recognize the righteousness of the destiny seemingly in store for us, but in fulfilling that destiny Russia plans the destruction of the Ottoman Empire, too strong in herself to be attacked save under a false air of friendship. Thus, sparing us bloodshed, injury to commerce and confusion to the mind, your Majesty will only contribute to the security of the Empire placed by Providence under your care, and in relation to the control of whose destiny your Majesty and your Majesty's predecessors cannot be accused of having sinned against Europe, except by lending too willing an ear to its perfidious counsels." The address is signed by the Committees of Yorkshire gathered in conference at Keighley, on Dec. 4, 1870; by the Committee of Newcastle-on-Tyne, and by the officers of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of Keighley, Colonley, Bradford, Cross Roads, Shipley, St. Pancras, (London,) Armley, Bagley, Birmingham, Bolton, Chorley, Macclesfield, Maidstone, Manchester, Preston, Southfield, Stafford and Stockport.

PETER B. SWEENY.

The Career of a Great Politician—How Fortunes are Made in New-York—A Lesson for the Rising Generation!

About thirty-five years ago a ragged boy of Irish parentage but of native birth, and of humble circumstances in life, might have been seen playing about the streets of the Sixth Ward in New-York, in the neighborhood of the stables owned by his uncle, THOMAS J. BARR. Such was the early condition of one who was destined to gain the highest political influence in the City of his nativity, and to rule with an almost autocratic sway over a million people. Few men have risen from humbler beginnings, or have had greater obstacles to overcome, both in the shape of defects of character and opposing circumstances. Of an exceedingly diffident and secretive disposition, with a horror of publicity and an intense sensitiveness to notoriety, PETER B. SWEENY'S success in a profession like politics, which usually requires its followers to live almost wholly in the sight of the multitude, is most extraordinary. It may be laid to his faculty for inducing others to carry out plans which he had ability enough to form but could not carry out himself, and thus by his talent for directing his coadjutors he has gained his own ends.

SWEENY, after receiving a common-school education, entered the law office of JAMES T. BRADY while quite a youth, with the intention of studying for the legal profession, Politics, however, proved more attractive than COKE and BLACKSTONE, and though he kept up his law studies, he made them of secondary consequence. His first essay in politics was about the time of the election of his uncle, THOMAS J. BARR, in 1850, as Assistant Alderman from the "bloody Sixth," which led to his becoming the latter's general factotum and assistant.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, just elected Sheriff, JOHN CLANCEY, the originator of the New-York *Leader*, and JOHN J. BRADLEY, the present City Chamberlain, began their political life about the same time with SWEENY, and have since had much to do in conjunction with him. Not long afterward SWEENY went into business on his own account, under the firm name of WILLARD, SWEENY & ANDERSON, but he gave but little attention to legal practice, as his "Uncle TOM" was before long elected State Senator for 1854-55, and SWEENY accompanied him to Albany, and became a lobbyist in a small way, being nicknamed by those who got him to attend to their "ax-grinding," "the Nephew of my Uncle." OAKEY HALL appeared about this period in the chambers of the Assembly as a Republican. SWEENY'S course has at least the merit of political consistency, and he was from the first a square Irish Democrat. HALL excelled in cunning and audacity, but SWEENY was his superior in sagacity, perseverance, and as a manipulator. Both rapidly grew to commence as lobbyists, but SWEENY was always the most successful. He was identified with all the early railroad schemes, charters of gas monopolies, omnibus lines, and like matters, while HALL aided the Whigs and Republicans in creating the various Commissions for the government of the City of New-York. The most conspicuous act of HALL was the creation of the Metropolitan Board of Police.

SWEENY, after his advancement in Albany, did not pretend to follow the law as a profession, although he kept his sign up, but turned his whole attention to politics. Through the Summer months he diligently laid plans with his associates in the City for stupendous frauds to be "put through" the succeeding Legislature, and thus he has acted yearly from 1854 to the present time. About four years ago he was appointed City Chamberlain, an office with little to do, but with facilities to bag $250,000 yearly, which he was not slow to avail himself of. He also became a director in the Erie Railroad Company, and has frequently been made receiver of large corporations by the Courts. He is also one-third owner of the notorious New-York Printing Company, which draws a million dollars annually from the City Treasury for printing the *Transcript*, and doing other Corporation "jobs."

When THOMAS J. BARR, "the Uncle of my Nephew," and newly-appointed Police Commissioner, ran against JAMES BROOKS for Congress, the latter, who was the regular Democratic candidate, charged openly that BARR had received money from the Republican Association to assist his election. SWEENY began an action for libel against BROOKS on account of this statement. BROOKS employed NELSON J. WATERBURY as counsel, he being then at variance with SWEENY, but the latter afterward deemed it wise to abandon the suit. BROOKS then published in the *Express* an account of the whole affair, which was an interesting *exposé* of the chicanery of politicians. BROOKS and SWEENY are now fast friends.

At this time great frauds were charged against SWEENY by the chief men of the Citizens' Association, many of whom are now holding official positions under the Ring, and are in close connection with SWEENY; as, for example, NATHANIEL SANDS, Chairman of the Executive Committee; RICHARD M. HENRY, Secretary, and JOSEPH F. DALY, Corresponding Secretary. The amount of salary now drawn by these three men from the City Treasury exceeds $35,000 per annum. They are now unanimously of the opinion that SWEENY is as pure as snow, while the Citizens' Association's guns have been spiked.

One of SWEENY'S grandest moves has been his operations with JACOB SHARPE and JOHN G. BRADLEY, his brother-in-law, in trying to carry a scheme for a Broadway railroad through the State Legislature. SWEENY has lobbied in favor of this scheme for years with great persistence, but it was vetoed by Gov. SEYMOUR in spite of the intense disgust of the Ring. Several attempts have been made since this veto to push the bill through the Legislature, but without success. It is presumed that the richer fields of pasture now opened will cause SWEENY to relinquish the Broadway Railroad scheme. Judge HENRY HILTON was always his opponent at Albany on this matter, and frequently denounced SWEENY in unmeasured terms before committees, but he has since made his peace with SWEENY, and they are now as harmonious as two kittens.

In 1859 SWEENY and NELSON J. WATERBURY were both applicants for appointment as Surrogate. The Board of Supervisors had the power to make the appointment, but neither of the candidates could command enough Democratic support in the Board to be elected, and, as a result, under a law previously enacted, Judge CHAS. P. DALY, of the Court of Common Pleas, performed the duties of the office. This caused a bitter feud between WATERBURY and SWEENY, who had previously been warm friends, which in time led to the former being driven from the controlling influence in Tammany Hall. WATERBURY then opened war on SWEENY through the columns of the *Sunday Atlas* in a series of bitterly personal articles, in which he designated him as a malicious sneak, and compared him to the ring-master lashing up the members of his party like refractory horses in a circus. WATERBURY afterward joined the Democratic Union, which organization he ran for two or three years against Tammany, and afterward in its interest, for which he was rewarded by being made a Commissioner to open streets, and associate counsel in several fat law cases. He is now closely affiliated with the Ring, and is again on friendly terms with his old enemy, SWEENY, through whose influence he has been appointed by Gov. HOFFMAN one of the codifiers of the statutes of the State.

The mode in which SWEENY became connected with Tammany Hall was as follows: He had been an active member of the Hard-shell organization, the General Committee of which met at Stuyvesant Institute, in Broadway, near Bond street, and included among its active members AUGUSTUS SCHELL, JAS. T. BRADY, HORACE F. CLARKE.

Just before the Presidential election of 1856 peace was made between Tammany and the Hard-shell organization, and the latter marched down to Tammany Hall, and were officially received by the Sachems in great state, and since then SWEENY has been an active Tammany Hall politician. He did not get control of the latter body at once, as there were some able men in the Tammany Society, as ISAAC FOWLER, ELIJAH PURDY, JOHN KELLY, FERNANDO WOOD, and JOHN VAN BUREN. When FOWLER left the country on account of alleged defalcation while Postmaster, there was no real leader left in Tammany. Up to this time the managers had been careful to keep the control of the Society out of the hands of the City officials, but the Aldermen were now admitted by NELSON J. WATERBURY, and injured the Society's standing greatly. Then came the quarrel with FERNANDO WOOD, who consequently ran the Mozart organization, and defeated Tammany in the Assembly and City elections. The latter then got to be very weak and rotten. The responsible members avoided the hall, fearing to become liable for the Society's debts. In time, however, WM. M. TWEED became Chairman, and infused a new spirit into the members. As the power of FERNANDO WOOD waned, Tammany slowly regained its former precedency, mainly through getting control of the City patronage. The Federal patronage was lost to the Democrats through the election of LINCOLN, and the monopoly of the spoils of office were left to the party who controlled the City patronage. The Tammany leaders soon began to dictate local nominations, and to manage matters generally.

The title Ring was first applied to them about this time. It consisted of about fifteen or twenty persons, mostly Aldermen, conspicuous among whom were Terence Farley, Francis I. A. Boole, Geo. H. Purser, C. G. Cornell, W. M. Tweed, Peter B. Sweeny, Bradley, John Clancey, and Matthew T. Brennan. As the patronage and strength of the Ring increased its numbers were gradually lessened, until finally SWEENY and TWEED grasped the whole power. This, however, was still far less than at present, as they had not yet captured the Judiciary, nor got complete control over local elections.

The present Ring was brought about by the coalition of TWEED, SWEENY and HALL as the leading spirits, aided by RICH. B. CONNOLLY, JOHN BRADLEY, MATT. I. BRENNAN, and others of less note. The first two gained control of the Tammany General Committee, and through that, of the local Democratic Party, which they manipulated to suit their own purpose, until they had got possession of all the City patronage. With this and the City treasury in their hands, they have been able to buy up most of the leading men who opposed them, by the gift of office or direct bribes, until all opposition was silenced most effectually.

A. OAKEY HALL was taken into the league as a sort of first henchman, and his ancillary qualities proved very useful while District-Attorney. By means of the indictments kept on file in his office, he gained great control over the criminal classes, and largely aided in securing the election of Judge BARNARD and other judicial officers. The power of the Ring then became almost omnipotent. Through SWEENY'S political sagacity, and TWEED'S bull-dog pertinacity, with HALL and CONNOLLY as factotums, all of whom have become immensely wealthy, they have gained their present control over the City Treasury and Government, by which the great American Metropolis is placed almost wholly at their mercy.

SWEENY has been more than once compared to NAPOLEON III.; and in some respects they are not unlike. Both men are natural plotters, and are equally unscrupulous as to the mode in which they carry out their plans, whether by a *coup d'état* or corrupting a whole Legislature. Yet neither of them is without considerable ability in certain fields, and both have risen to power in spite of apparently overwhelming obstacles. Whether SWEENY'S downfall will be as sudden and complete as that of NAPOLEON remains to be seen.

SWEENY'S dislike of publicity is almost morbid. It is said that when once appointed Assistant District-Attorney, he attempted to conduct a case in Court, but broke down, and thereupon went to Europe until his term of office had expired, in order to avoid a like catastrophe a second time. TWEED, HALL and the rest of the reigning faction, are constantly to be seen at public meetings, but SWEENY is never present at such places, or if so, he is behind the scenes. He has not even courage to walk the streets, but avoids the leading thoroughfares and goes by side streets. His plans are all matured in some private office, back parlor, or committee-room, and put in operation in lobbies and other out-of-the-way places. He makes no speeches, and his name seldom appears in print.

SWEENY has made vast sums of money by his various transactions, and is now wealthy. While City Chamberlain he had an income of $200,000 and upward for three years, and he now fills numerous positions of great profit. Among these are the following: President of the Central Park Commission, Director in the Ninth National Bank, Mutual Gas Company, Brooklyn Bank, and Dry Dock Railroad, and part owner of the New-York Printing Company, the New-York *Leader*, and *Transcript*. To this inadequate memoir of a great man may be added an extract or two from the *World* of March 15, 1870: "Mr. PETER B. SWEENY is prospering. With $63,522 in cash from the treasury, and once or twice as much kept out of the treasury; with $150,000 for fees on a receivership of property which he never took possession of; with a liberal interest in the Fisk pavement on Fifth-avenue and other similar jobs, he will get on.

"But can we afford such a luxury as Mr. PETER B. SWEENY?

"Can we in the City afford it? Can our country friends afford it?"

These questions were left unanswered by the *World*, which has since changed its opinions about SWEENY and his friends.

Jimmy Fisk, My Jo, Jim.

As sung by JAY GOULD, Esq., to the popular tune of "John Anderson, my Jo"

I.

O, Jimmy Fisk, my Jo, Jim,
When we were first acquent
You used to peddle buttons, Jim,
At seven for a cent;
But now you drive six horses
In a way that isn't slow,
For things have changed since Henry died,
O, Jimmy Fisk, my Jo.

II.

O, Jimmy Fisk, my Jo, Jim,
We'll never, never weary
Of squeezing every penny from
The stockholders of Erie;
And if by any chance, Jim,
We to the gallows go,
We'll sleep thegither at the foot,
O, Jimmy Fisk, my Jo.

GENTLE CLARENCE.

Hon. Eli Saulsbury, the New Senator from Delaware.

Of Hon. ELI SAULSBURY, who has been elected by an unanimous vote of both branches of the Delaware Legislature to the Senate of the United States, the Wilmington *Commercial* says:

"Personally and politically, there is very little to be said of the new Senator. He is the brother of Hon. WILLARD SAULSBURY, whom he will succeed in office, and to Hon. GOVE SAULSBURY, who has just retired from the Governorship. He was born in Kent County, Del., and received only a limited education; pursued the business of farming for some years after attaining manhood, and then, when probably thirty or thirty-five years of age, studied law. He has since practiced the profession at Dover, and has received, from the influence of his brothers and the political control which they and himself exercised, extensive favors of a professional character, both directly and indirectly.

Mr. SAULSBURY has not, to our knowledge, ever held a public position. He will not make so much of a figure in the Senate as his brother WILLARD, being less able as a speaker, and possessing less positive force of character, while his physical organization is quite delicate, and his habits entirely temperate. His election was a public surprise, as well as a bitter disappointment to his brother, the Ex-Governor, whose election had been "on the slate" for a long time, and was regarded as certain.

The question of subsidies for railways enters actively into the campaign in California, and it is said that the withdrawal of Gov. HAIGHT as a candidate for renomination is in favor of one whom he knows to agree with him in his opposition to such grants.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 19.

PETITIONS.

Among other petitions presented was one by Mr. HARLAN from citizens of Iowa, praying for the establishment of an umpire to prevent wars.

Mr. SHERMAN, of Ohio, presenting the petition of J. L. M. CURRY, Ex-Congressman from Alabama, to be restored to his political rights, favored the granting of the request, and referred to the excellent personal character of the petitioner, who had been a fellow-member of the House with himself and Vice-President COLFAX. The petition was referred to the Committee on Disabilities.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following bills were introduced and referred:

By Mr. HAMLIN, of Maine—To secure cheap transportation of breadstuffs and provisions from the West to the seaboard at uniform rates throughout the year. Referred to the Committee on Post-offices, &c. It provides that "the United States Government shall aid the construction of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad by a loan of six per cent. thirty-year bonds to the amount of $50,000 per mile for its whole extent from Portland to Chicago. The road is to be double track and furnished with steel rails and iron bridges. The Postmaster-General is to establish the rates for the transportation of freight and passengers."

By Mr. COLE, of California—To abolish tonnage dues on American vessels. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. PRATT, of Indiana—A joint resolution granting the Chicago, Illinois and Southern Railway Company the right to build a bridge across the Big Wabash River, and declaring the same as a post road. Referred to the Committee on Post-offices, &c.

By Mr. KELLOGG, of Louisiana—Bills prescribing the manner and changing the time of holding elections for Presidential electors in Louisiana, so as to fix the elections for Governor and State officers, and Congressmen and President on the same day. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts—To regulate the appointment of inferior officers in the civil service. Referred to the Committee on Retrenchment. The latter bill provides that Government officers receiving more than $1,500 per annum shall be appointed only after examination as to their qualifications before a Board, and if, after three months' probation, found efficient, they are to be appointed for four years, and then to be eligible for reappointment, upon the recommendation of a chief of a bureau. It prohibits the removal of such employes except for incapacity or improper conduct; forbids the levying of political assessments upon, or payments by such employes, and prohibits them from being delegates to or members of political conventions, committees, or similar organizations, on pain of summary dismissal.

BILLS REPORTED.

Mr. WILLIE, of West Virginia, from the Committee on Patents, reported without amendment the House bill authorizing the Commissioner of Patents to hear and decide upon the application of PIERREPONT SEYMOUR, of New-York, for an extension of his patent for an improvement in seed-planters or grain-drills.

Mr. LEWIS, of Virginia, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, reported without amendment a bill to authorize a subscription by the City of Washington to capital stock of the Alexander, London and Hampshire Railroad Company, or the Washington and Ohio Railroad Company, as the case may be.

A PRIVATE CLAIM ALLOWED.

The Secretary then read certain written remarks forwarded to him by Mr. BROWNLOW, of Tennessee, whose physical infirmity prevented him from personally addressing the Senate in advocacy of the private claims of Mrs. MELINDA HARMAN, of East Tennessee.

The statement set forth the bridge-burning operations in East Tennessee, in the early part of the war, in the Union interest; and the execution of the claimant's son and husband for alleged complicity in the same. The bill appropriates $4,696 70 to pay a mortgage executed by Mr. HARMAN, to the counsel who defended him before the Military Commission of the enemy which tried him. The bill passed.

DONATIONS OF CANNON FOR MONUMENTS.

A communication was received from the Chief of Ordnance suggesting the necessity of restricting donations of bronze cannon, as by the rapid reduction of the number on hand, it was doubtful whether the donations already authorized could be honored.

ABOLITION OF ADMIRAL AND VICE-ADMIRAL.

Mr. CRAGIN, of New-Hampshire, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported with amendment a bill to abolish the offices of Admiral and Vice-Admiral of the Navy, and asked its present consideration. The amendment is that the offices shall continue only until a vacancy occurs.

Mr. CRAGIN remarked that this was the exact provision in relation to the General and Lieutenant-General of the Army.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts—It is applying the rule of the army to the navy.

The bill was then considered and passed.

SUBSIDIZING STEAM-SHIP LINES.

A lengthy discussion ensued upon the resolution of Mr. RAMSEY, of Minnesota, to make the bills subsidizing steam-ship lines to the Gulf of Mexico, from San Francisco, via Honolulu, to Australia, and on the Atlantic, the special orders for Friday of next week.

At the suggestion of Mr. MCDONALD, of Arkansas, the Mediterranean and Oriental Steam-ship bill was added.

Mr. DAVIS, of Kentucky, denounced the resolution as an attempt of the lobby to secure the passage of the bills referred to by a combination, and as a movement upon the Treasury of the owners of the proposed lines.

The resolution as amended, on motion of Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, to include all similar bills which in the meantime might be reported, was then adopted.

CONDITION OF THE SOUTH.

At 1 o'clock, the unfinished business, being Mr. MORTON'S motion for a Special Committee to investigate the condition of the South, came up, and Mr. MORTON, by unanimous consent, presented a communication from the Colored National Convention, recently held in Washington, on the condition of affairs in the South. He said he had read the paper, and in view of its importance asked to have it presented and laid on the table, preparatory to its reference to the Special Committee, if such should be appointed.

The motion of Mr. MORTON for the appointment of a special committee of five to investigate charges of violence and resistance to the laws in the South was disposed of without debate.

Mr. CASSERLY'S motion to refer the subject to the Judiciary Committee was rejected, only eight Senators rising in the affirmative.

Mr. MORTON'S motion was then agreed to without a division.

At 1¾ o'clock P. M. the Senate went into Executive Session.

After coming out of Executive session the Senate, at 5½ o'clock, adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

New bills were introduced as follows:

By Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts—To aid in the construction of twenty or more first-class iron steamships, together with ship-yards, machine-shops, rolling-mills, wharves, docks, &c., to secure to the Government the use of the same for postal, naval and other purposes. Referred to the Committee on Commerce. This bill was introduced in the Senate by Senator CONKLING, of New-York.

By Mr. RANDALL, of Tennessee—To give the Commissioners for the acknowledgment of legal papers, appointed by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, like powers as are now exercised by the Commissioners appointed for the State of Pennsylvania under United States laws. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. PAINE, of Wisconsin—To allow imported railroad iron to be transported in bond from the port of entry to the place where it is to be used. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HOLMAN, of Indiana, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill granting an American register to the British ship *Robert L. Lane*, owned by WILLIAM C. M. SWIFT, of New-Bedford, Mass. Passed.

Mr. PECK, of Kentucky, introduced a resolution for an appropriation for improving the Maumee River, above Toledo. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

MEMORIALS.

Mr. RAMSEY, of South Carolina, presented a memorial of the National Colored Labor Convention on the condition of affairs in the South.

Mr. BANKS, of Massachusetts, presented a memorial from the City of Washington, protesting against the cruelties practiced in the war between France and Prussia, and asking an expression of sympathy by Congress for the Republic of France. Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

TERRITORY OF OKLAHOMA.

Mr. VAN HORN, of Missouri, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported a bill to provide for the consolidation of the Indian tribes, and to organize a system of government in the Indian Territory.

This bill creates and establishes a temporary Government by the name of the Territory of Oklahoma, bounded on the north by the southern boundary of Kansas, on the west by the eastern boundary of New-Mexico and Texas, on the south by the southern boundary of Texas, and on the east by the western boundary of Arkansas and Missouri. The form of government assimilates to that of the other Territories.

Mr. VAN HORN proceeded to explain and advocate the bill. He said there were but two policies to be pursued toward the Indians by the United States Government. The one was the policy of civilization, and the other the policy of extinction. He referred to the organization of the Cherokee Nation as a proof that the Indians could be civilized. Within the last ninety days a Convention of the Indian tribes had been held within the territory for the formation of a State Constitution and Government, but the Committee on Indian Affairs preferred to recommend a territorial organization.

Mr. BENJAMIN, of Missouri, asked whether there were not white settlers in portions of the Indian Territory, and whether there were not public lands there open to homestead settlement?

Mr. VAN HORN replied in the negative. If there were white settlers there they were there in violation of law. The Committee deemed it wise to make this experiment and to bring within the influence of the Cherokees, Choctaws, Chickasaws, Creeks and Seminoles, who had lived for sixty years under written laws, the wild Indians of the West, who would yield more readily to that influence than they would to that of white men.

Mr. ARMSTRONG, of Pennsylvania, made an argument in support of the bill. He said that the proposed territory embraced 5,000 square miles, containing over forty-five million acres. This country was occupied by a population of 69,670 Indians, composed of Cherokees, Choctaws, Chickasaws, Creeks, Seminoles, Quapaws, and various wild tribes.

Mr. SARGENT, of California, suggested that the form of government agreed upon by the Indians of that Territory, in the recent Convention, was entirely inconsistent with the principles of the bill.

Mr. ARMSTRONG denied that that was the case, and claimed that the bill before the House was in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution, except only that the bill provided for the appointment of a Governor by the President, instead of allowing the Indians themselves to appoint their Governor.

Mr. SARGENT said that as he read the two documents, they were dissimilar in every respect. There was no analogy between them. He thought the consideration of the measure should be postponed until the proceedings of that Indian Convention were laid before Congress.

Mr. CULLOM, of Illinois, Chairman of the Committee on Territories, contended that the question was one which came properly within the jurisdiction of that Committee.

Mr. VAN HORN disclaimed any intention of encroaching on the prerogatives of the Committee on Territories, but that Committee had had its attention called to the matter, and had taken no action on it. The objection was merely technical, as the Indian policy of the Government belonged properly to the Committee on Indian Affairs, which Committee had fully investigated this question.

After some further discussion, the morning hour expired, and the bill went over until Tuesday next.

DEFINITION OF SWAMPS.

The bill defining swamps and overflowed lands came up as the special order for today, but on motion of Mr. JULIAN, it was postponed until Feb. 1.

ST. CROIX RAILROAD.

The next special order for today was the bill extending the time to construct a railroad from the St. Croix River or lake to the west end of Lake Superior or to Bayfield. This was a Senate bill reported back from the Committee on Public Lands with several amendments.

Pending action on those amendments, a motion to lay the bill on the table had prevailed, and a motion had been made to reconsider that vote, which motion was now pending. The question was: Would the House reconsider the vote by which the bill was laid on the table?

Mr. RANDALL, of Pennsylvania, asked leave to present a remonstrance from the State of Wisconsin against the bill, and to have it read, as it would throw light upon the subject.

Mr. WASHBURN, of Wisconsin, said he had a telegram from the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of Wisconsin, stating that a memorial had passed unanimously within the last few days, asking Congress to renew this grant.

Mr. RANDALL—The remonstrance that I have comes from the gentleman's own district.

Mr. WASHBURN—I undertake to say that the gentleman has no remonstrance signed by any citizen in my district.

Mr. RANDALL—I say that I have. Come over here and look at it.

Mr. WASHBURN (walking to the Democratic side of the House)—Not a remonstrance against this bill?

Mr. RANDALL—Yes, Sir, and I ask that it be read.

Mr. MCGREW, of West Virginia, objected to the discussion which the Speaker ruled to be out of order.

Mr. RANDALL handed the remonstrance, with a long list of signatures, to Mr. WASHBURN, who retired to his seat to examine it, and meanwhile the Clerk proceeded to call the yeas and nays on the question of reconsideration.

The vote laying the bill on the table was reconsidered by yeas 90, nays 86, and the question recurred, "Will the House lay the bill on the table?" It was decided in the negative by yeas 86, nays 90.

A long discussion ensued as to the policy of excepting pine-timber lands from the lands that are to be open to settlement.

Mr. RANDALL presented a memorial from the north-western portion of Wisconsin, protesting, in the interest of settlers, against the renewal of the grant. He expressed his surprise at finding his three Philadelphia colleagues, and particularly his colleague from the Fourth District, (Mr. KELLEY,) voting for the bill after the pledge which they had given during the last canvass to the Labor Reform organization to oppose all land grants.

Mr. MYERS, of Pennsylvania, inquired if Mr. RANDALL referred to him.

Mr. RANDALL said he had alluded to the gentleman from the Fourth District, but he would also refer to the other gentleman (MYERS) who had also, though he had answered in ambiguous phrases, satisfied the Labor Reform organization on that point.

Mr. KELLEY, of Pennsylvania, said he was not departing from anything he had said in voting to revive a land grant, partly executed, and which could only be revived by making a slight addition of some 6,000 acres. He would take care of himself and his constituents.

Mr. RANDALL—Two millions of acres.

Mr. WASHBURN—The gentleman need not apologize for voting for a grant which is going to pour the wealth of the North-west into the City of Philadelphia.

Mr. KELLEY—I am not apologizing.

Mr. RANDALL—I do not believe that the settlers should be robbed for the benefit of any section, even my own.

Mr. MYERS—If my colleague thinks he is helping his case by making personal assaults on members, it only shows that his is a poor case. His colleague ought to be ashamed when he thought of the immense advantages bestowed on the whole country by the Pacific Railroads to boast of his having uniformly voted against land grants. The letter which he (Mr. MYERS) wrote to the Labor Reformers' Association was clear and unequivocal. He said in it that he was in favor of reserving the lands for actual settlers except in cases where it is necessary to open communication between distant points. His colleague (Mr. RANDALL) has either not read that letter, or did not know how to read. [Laughter.] Did his colleague say that that letter was written with equivocal intent?

Mr. RANDALL replied that he had not said so, but that his colleague should take one or the other horn of the dilemma. Either it was a letter that his colleague did not mean to vote for any land grants, or else it was an equivocal letter.

Mr. MYERS—I deny whatmy colleague has said. I write plain English, and if the gentleman cannot read it, it is not my fault, but the fault of his education. [Laughter.]

Mr. O'NEILL, of Pennsylvania, declared that he was utterly amazed at his colleague (Mr. RANDALL) dragging down this great question to a question of local politics. He (Mr. O'NEILL) had written a letter to the Labor Reform Association.

Mr. RANDALL—Read it to us.

Mr. O'NEILL—I will tell you what was in it. I said that I was opposed to giving an acre of land to mere speculators, and on that position I stand. I have a right to judge who is the mere speculator. [Laughter.] I am not bound to take the judgment of my colleague. My colleague has endeavored to drag this question down to a mere question of local politics by arraigning his colleagues.

Mr. RANDALL—Yes, Sir. I have arraigned you and put you at the bar of public justice and judgment. [Laughter.]

Mr. O'NEILL—I stand by what I have written. I stand by the proposition that no mere body of speculative men or railroads shall get my vote for a single acre of land, but I will vote for this bill because I think it right and proper.

Mr. MYERS—My colleague (Mr. RANDALL) came into my district during the canvass and told the people that I had voted time and again for these land grants, and yet I was elected by 1,295 majority in spite of my colleague's speech, and in spite of the record which he does not like.

Mr. RANDALL—I did go into the gentleman's district and produced the Congressional record of his votes on land grants, but I was met by his friends producing his letter, saying that he was not in favor of land grants. [General laughter.]

Mr. MYERS—I deny it, Sir. I state in the hearing of my colleague that that is not so. [Laughter.] I state that that letter does not contain such language, and I affirm that he knows it. I will vote for the bill, but I will also vote for the amendment to it which protects the interests of the settler.

Mr. RANDALL—All right, I am satisfied.

Mr. COBURN, of Indiana, asked, as a parliamentary question, whether these were the Representatives of the City of Brotherly Love? [Laughter.]

The bill was defended and advocated by Messrs. WASHBURN, SAWYER and PAINE of Wisconsin, and WILSON, of Minnesota. Finally the previous question was moved, and the House refused to second the previous question by 76 to 77, and the bill went over till Tuesday.

CONSULAR APPROPRIATIONS—MORE SAN DOMINGO.

The House then, at 3½ o'clock P. M., went into Committee of the Whole, on the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, which appropriates $1,438,000.

Mr. COX, of New-York, moved to increase the salary of the Secretary of Legation, at St. Petersburg, from $1,800 to $2,500. After discussion the amendment was rejected.

Mr. WOOD, of New-York, moved to add a provision to the item for the contingent fund of the State Department, that no part of it should be used in the effort to annex the Republic of Dominica.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, opposed the motion. He referred to the fact that even under President JOHNSON'S Administration, when there was so much variance between the Legislative and Executive Departments, the secret service fund was voted as usual. A commission had been sent out to San Domingo, and there was no provision for paying the expenses of the Commission, except out of this contingent fund. Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, also opposed the motion.

Mr. WOOD remarked that it was very evident that there was a desire to disburse the $100,000 in the attempt to acquire territory against public opinion and against the opinion of the treaty-making power. He was willing to respect the President's privileges with reference to the expenditure of money for the purpose of diplomacy.

Mr. COX, of New-York, did not believe in any secret service fund. He believed in open, public diplomacy. He declared that San Domingo was sold out by somebody to somebody, and was going on to state something he had been told by a person who copied the treaty as to some secret article attached to it, "an" such person having told it to him on his death-bed, "an"—but he was interr

and, as the libelants claim, some distance to windward of her.

When the master of the bark heard the steamer's whistle, he, supposing the latter would keep her course, kept steadily upon his own; but, as the libelants claim, the steamer's course was altered so that she struck the bark suddenly, very nearly cutting her in two and capsizing her. The crew of the bark were precipitated into the sea, but were all saved but one. The libelants claim that they had a right to keep their course—that if the steamer had kept hers there would have been no collision, and that the steamer's speed was too great, considering the density of the fog. The claimants contend that the bark should have changed her course so as to avoid the steamer.

Decision reserved.

Voss & McDaniel, proctors for libelants; Everett F. Wheeler, advocate; Barretts & Redfield, proctors for claimants; Welcome R. Beebe, advocate.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—EASTERN DISTRICT—JAN. 19.

Before Judge Benedict.

MOTION TO RECOVER $3,600 OF UNPAID TAXES ON DISTILLED SPIRITS.

The United States vs. *Francis McKenna et al.*—In this case Government brought action to recover $3,600 alleged to be due by the defendant for taxes on distilled spirits. The testimony was of the most conflicting character. McKenna swore that he had paid the money in question, part at the Collector's office, and the remainder to one of the deputies named Smith. The latter denied ever having received a cent from McKenna. By way of rebutting that, still another witness was called, and in the interest of McKenna swore that he heard Smith say that he had received the money. This Smith also denied. Other evidence of a similar character was produced on both sides, the result of which was that the jury disagreed and were discharged.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Before Presiding Justice Ingraham and Judges Barnard and Cardozo.

THE RIGHT OF A CHILD TO PLAY IN THE STREET WITHOUT A GUARDIAN—AN INTERESTING CASE.

James Cosgrove by his Guardian, respondent, vs. *Isaac C. Ogden et al., appellants.*—This action was brought to recover damages for injuries sustained by the plaintiff on the 9th of September, 1868. The plaintiff was then a lad of about six years, and resided with his parents at No. 638 East Thirteenth-street. On the opposite side of the street was a vacant space fenced in, and on the outside of the fence and against it there was piled a large quantity of lumber. The pile extended to within about two feet of the curbstone. The boys in the neighborhood were in the habit of playing on and around this lumber—a dozen or more sometimes getting on it and playing there, so that the pile often shook under them. On the day in question, which was Sunday, there was an unusual number of boys there, the plaintiff among them. A portion of the pile fell and severely injured him. This action was brought to recover damages against Ogden & Co., the owners of the lumber. On the trial in the Court below, the jury rendered a verdict of $450 for the boy. From the judgment entered on this verdict the defendants appealed to this Court. One of the grounds of appeal was that the evidence showed that the negligence of the plaintiff, or his parents, contributed to the injury, and the Judge at Circuit should have dismissed the complaint when the motion was made. It was also insisted that the proof showed that the lumber was piled there by one Walter M. Brown, an employe of the defendants, and that it was so done contrary to their authority, permission to pile lumber there having been refused by them.

After argument the judgment of the Court below was affirmed.

For plaintiff Mr. O. L. Stewart; for the defendants Messrs. Marsh, Coe & Wallis.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART II.—JAN. 19.

Before Judge Van Brunt and a Jury.

EXECUTION OF A WILL BY A MARRIED WOMAN UNDER AGE—A CLOUD UPON A TITLE.

Anne M. Zimmerman vs. *John Schonfeldt.*—In this case the mother of the plaintiff in March, 1864, conveyed certain real estate situated in Thirty-fifth-street to her husband. Afterward in order to confirm the title, she made a will whereby, among other things, she devised the same property to her husband. At the time of the execution of the instrument she was asked if she was then twenty-one years old, and thereupon she replied that she was understood in the affirmative. In June, 1864, the husband conveyed the premises to the defendant. The mother died in 1864, about a week after the plaintiff was born. The suit was brought to clear the title from the cloud which rests over it in consequence of the deed and the will executed by the mother. Counsel for the plaintiff claimed that the mother was under twenty-one at the time of her death, and hence that both the deed and the will executed by her are void. The plaintiff's grandfather testified that his daughter was born in October, 1844. The Court submitted to the jury simply the question of fact as to the age of the deceased mother. The jury found that she was under twenty-one at the time of death. The Court thereupon directed a verdict for the plaintiff. The property is now valued at about $12,000.

For the plaintiff, Mr. Niles; for the defendant, Mr. Wm. H. Anthon.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.—JAN. 19.

Before Judge Freedman and a Jury.

THE $200,000 SUIT AGAINST THE CITY—THE COURT DIRECTS A VERDICT AGAINST THE PLAINTIFF, WITH AN EXTRA ALLOWANCE OF $1,000 TO DEFENDANT.

Russell D. Miner vs. *The Mayor, &c., of New-York.*—In this case it will be remembered that our former report stated that the defendants had moved for a non-suit, upon the ground that by the terms of the description in the deed, the premises, being twenty-five feet fronting on the southerly side of Seventy-eighth-street, and which, on the map, had been designated as one-half of Sixth-street, did not pass to the grantors of the plaintiff by the deed from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty. The Court held on that motion, that while the land was not within the strict terms as prescribed by the words of the deed, yet, under the cases of Bissell *vs.* The New-York Central Railroad, in the twenty-third of New-York Reports, and other cases of a similar character which have been recently before the Court of Appeals, the deeds carried the fee to the centre of the street and thus vested in Wagstaff, the original grantee from the Corporation in 1808, the legal title to the property in question. The defendants proceeded with their evidence to show that no fraud had been practiced upon the plaintiff, because, by the subsequent conduct of the parties, the lot purchased by Wagstaff, in 1808, had been so located by the parties as that, after the passage of the act of 1807, under which the streets of that part of the City were laid out anew, the old street, having been closed, the parties conformed the lines of the ground to the new streets, as mapped out under the act of 1807, and that the plaintiff had taken, in lieu of the premises in question, a strip of sixty feet fronting on Seventy-ninth-street. That Wooley, the grantor of the plaintiff, in 1836 petitioned the Common Council to adjust the lines in conformity with the streets as laid out under the act of 1807, and that the Common Council had agreed to an adjustment of the lines, whereby these sixty feet on the southerly side of Seventy-ninth-street, a wide street, would fall to Wooley, leaving to the Corporation the land in the old street in question on the south of Wooley's land; that, before the conveyance by Wooley to the plaintiff, he had, in 1837, mortgaged nearly the entire property to different individuals, and in each mortgage described the premises as being the block between Seventy-eighth and Seventy-ninth streets, and Fourth and Fifth avenues, thus affirming the adjustment offered by the Common Council, but there was no evidence that he had ever paid the sum, about $700, which it was claimed on the part of the Common Council should be paid by him to make the adjustment of the lines equal; but Mr. Vanderpool and Mr. Sullivan, of counsel for the defense, claimed that this was a condition imposed by Common Council which could be waived by it, and the subsequent conduct of the Council showed that it had waived that condition. It also appeared from the defense that after the grant to the plaintiff Miner in this case, he also executed a conveyance of six lots to one William Irvine, conforming his description to the lines as adjusted by the Common Council in 1837. The defendants also proved that in building fences around the premises in 1841, they were erected upon the lines fixed by this adjustment, and under the decisions in Baldwin *vs.* Brown, 16 New-York, 359; Reed *vs.* Farr, 35 New-York, 113; Vosburg *vs.* Teator, 32 New-York, 561; Pierson *vs.* Mosher, 30 Barb., 81, and other similar cases, there had been practical adjustment of these lines which the law would hold, in the absence of a formal deed, estopped either of the parties from claiming in opposition or hostility to it. The defendants further claimed that the equitable title under this state of facts was in the defendants; that the plaintiff had the mere naked paper title which a Court of equity would compel him to convey, and that every statement and representation made to him on the part of the representative of the Counsel to the Corporation at the time the release was executed, in 1866, was true. The defense insisted that as to these facts there was no dispute, and thereupon moved the Court to direct a verdict for the defendants.

Mr. Develin and Mr. Marsh, counsel for the plaintiffs, controverted the legal propositions contested for by the counsel for the defendants, and claimed and insisted that the undisputed facts relied upon by the counsel for the defense established a case on which the plaintiff was entitled to have a direction to the jury that there was no evidence of a practical location or adjustment of the boundaries, and that there was nothing suggested by the defendants which took the legal title or fee of the premises out of the plaintiff. Judge Freedman granted the motion on behalf of the City, and in doing so said: After looking carefully over the evidence that has been given on behalf of the defendants, and which is uncontradicted and seems to be beyond dispute, I think the defendants have sufficiently shown that there was a practical location of lot No. 14a, described in the deed from the Corporation to Wagstaff, by which practical location the strip now in question was excluded, and the same width of street on the north of the lot was taken in, and there was an acquiescence on the part of all the parties interested, in such practical location for more than twenty, if not more than twice twenty, years. I think the Corporation has sufficiently shown that an adjustment of the boundaries took place in 1836 or 1837, and, although that adjustment was not followed up by an exchange of deeds or releases, that it was followed up by a continuous, uninterrupted possession on the part of Wooley and his immediate grantors and assigns, and that such occupation has been maintained ever since, and Wooley and his assigns have had the benefit of a strip of land on the north, which was more valuable then, and is more valuable now, than the strip in question in this action. Either ground, in my judgment, is sufficient to estop the plaintiff from asserting his title in any action, and a ground likewise sufficient to dispel the theory of fraud which has been advanced by plaintiff. I therefore direct a verdict for the defendant.

On motion of defendant's counsel, Judge Freedman granted an allowance of five per cent. against the plaintiff on the amount at issue, which will amount to an extra allowance of $1,000, exclusive of costs of the action.

Luther R. Marsh and John E. Develin, for plaintiff; A. J. Vanderpool and Algernon S. Sullivan, for defendant.

KINGS COUNTY SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—JAN. 19.

Before Judge Gilbert.

SUIT TO RECOVER POSSESSION OF LAND.

William T. Smith vs. *Hiram St. John.*—This was an action to recover possession of a strip of land on Fulton-avenue, near Gold-street, at present, it is alleged, unlawfully held by defendant. Damages amounting to $2,500 were claimed. The averments in the complaint were substantially these: The plaintiff, in October, 1869, bought a vacant lot on Gold-street, near Fulton-avenue, in this city, on which he desired to erect a house. Before building he had a survey made by Silas Ludlam, Esq., City Surveyor, and it was discovered that the house of the defendant, who had owned the adjoining premises for a long time prior to October, 1869, was built over the boundary line, occupying a strip of land belonging to the plaintiff 48 feet long and about 1¾ inches wide. When this discovery was made Mr. Smith entered into negotiations with Mr. St. John, but failing to arrive at any satisfactory conclusion, he brought the suit to recover possession of his land, and $1,500 damages for the withholding of the same.

The defense is a general denial. At the conclusion of the plaintiff's case, defendant's counsel moved for a non-suit. It was granted on the ground that by the Revised Statutes a deed of land given by a party not in possession is void, and that a suit of this nature should be brought by the person owning the land at the time of the encroachment.

Dubois Smith for plaintiff; Wm. L. Gill for defendant.

NOTICE TO THE BROOKLYN BAR.

On and after Jan. 23, 1871, there will be held three branches of the Circuit Court by Justices Pratt, Tappen and Gilbert.

There will be seventy causes placed on each day's calendar, including reserved causes in their numerical order of reservation.

The calendar will be called each day at 10 o'clock A. M. precisely, and juries will be impaneled in the regular Circuit Court-room, as cases are called on ready for trial.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

COURT OF APPEALS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 19.—The following is the Court of Appeals day calendar for Jan. 20: 4, 11, 12, 15, 16½, 17.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Held by Ingraham, P. J., and Barnard and Cardozo, JJ.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
176—Pose vs. The Bank of Albion.	198—Bensel vs. Oliver.
180—Burger vs. Devlin.	199—Whelan vs. Morris.
184—Hubbel vs. Von Schenig.	200—The People vs. Cattrell.
185—Steward vs. The Phoenix Fire Insurance Company.	201—Pinbolts vs. Ross.
186—Same vs. Same.	204—Maitland vs. Whitlock.
187—Sykes vs. The Hudson River Railroad Company.	205—McCormick vs. Pennsylvania Central R. R. Co.
189—Thompson vs. Fargo.	206—Shortland vs. Van Nostrand.
192—Same vs. Same.	207—M. A. shortland vs. Same.
193—The People vs. Cattrell.	208—Shaw vs. Home Life Insurance Co.
194—Bell vs. Waterbury.	209—Smith vs. Bodine.
196—Setzer vs. Fink.	210—Ellen A. Price vs. Joel D. Price.
196—Bensel vs. Oliver.	211—Lane vs Andrews.
197—Whelan vs. Morris.	

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part I.—Held by Brady, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M. Short Causes.

Nos.	Nos.
647—Hoffman vs. Wagner.	1019—Same vs. Same.
723—Van Brisel vs. Walker.	1027—Whitney vs. Sheron.
779—Clapp vs. Clemenshaw.	1071—Elliott vs. Clemenshaw.
1771—Empire Brook Mfg. Co. vs. Meyer.	1072—Johnson vs. Van Nostrand.
809—Reichman vs. Grover.	1103—Elliott vs. Clemenshaw.
812—Barber vs. Johnson.	1115¾—Wehle vs. Jaffa.
875—Vance vs. Maltby.	1177—Tradesman's Nat. Bk. vs. Terhune.
879—Lian vs. Cassedy.	1207—Kranenberg vs. Hall.
908—Waterston vs. Cornell.	1235—Crawford vs. Caffie.
915—National Park Bk. of N. Y. vs. Ellinger.	1480—Baker vs. Floyd.
999—Grahn vs. Scott.	1507—McLarney vs. Byde.
1015—Mitchell vs. Reed.	1563—Chisholm vs. Bondy.
1017—Total vs. Newbern vs. Satterlee.	

Part II.—Held by Van Brunt, J.—Court opens at 10½ A. M. Short Causes.

Nos.	Nos.
386—Tracy vs. Cadle, Jr.	1319—Humphrey vs. Griswold.
646—Hoffman vs. Wagner.	1344—Second National Bank vs. Wagstaff.
902—Hawley vs. Mowry.	1363—Same vs. Same.
904—Hawley vs. Taylor.	1372—Walsh vs. Ennis.
934—Mooney vs. Toomey.	1378—Miller vs. Gedney.
1018—National Bank of Newberne vs. Satterlee.	1383—Turnell vs. Shipman.
1020—Same vs. Same.	1386—Clarke vs. Seyler.
1030—Dewin vs. Nelson.	1423—Cragin vs. Allen.
1065—Jewett vs. Lehman.	1425—Jacobs vs. Cassedy.
1183¾—Meade vs. Wykoff.	1466—Watkins vs. Merritt.
1224—Howe vs. Chalon.	1496—Myers vs. Mulcare.
1240¾—Hays vs. Durling.	1488—Avery vs. Stagg.
	1506—Pike vs. Vosburgh.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Calendar called at 12 M.

Nos.	Nos.
29—Roberts vs. Brinkerhoff.	73—McCreery vs. Long Island Bank.
40—Street vs. Smith.	81—Treadway vs. Rankin, Jr.
53—Liffening vs. Liffening.	86—Wright vs. Cunningham.
60—In the matter of Jones.	111—Strakosch vs. Curtis.
62—Jones vs. Crimmin.	113—Galge vs. Rushton.
65—In re the Baltic Fire Ins. Co.	115—Viele vs. Viele.
66—Burrell vs. Raphael.	118—Monroe vs. Coleman.
71—In the matter of Rushton, &c.	122—Dinsmore vs. Adams.
	128—Nicol vs. Kumpf.
	148—Badger vs. Lee.
	149—Pistor vs. Brandrett.
Call commences at No. Bright.	150—Stuyvesant Bank vs.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by McCunn, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
98—Millan vs. Graham.	451—Alexander vs. Bleecker-street and Fulton Ferry R. Co.
1043—Loftus vs. The Novelty Iron-works.	447—Tiederman vs. O'Brien.
307—Myron vs. Third-avenue R. R. Co.	162—Feeny vs. O'Brien.
475—Scott vs. Finnegan.	157—Holmes vs. Roberts.
73—The Goodenough Horseshoe Co. vs. Grocers' Fire Insurance Co.	250—Kass vs. O'Brien.
171—Villaret vs. O'Brien.	33—Sturges vs. New-Jersey Steam Navigation Co.
275—Claflin vs. Rosenburg.	291—Coffey vs. Home Life Ins. Co.
	39—Hope Mutual Life Ins. Co. vs. Soulter.

Part II.—Held by Freedman, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
48—Brann vs. Kelly.	322—Smith vs. Exchange Fire Ins. Co.
570—Morgenthau vs. Hensley.	138—Funke vs. New-York Mutual Ins. Co.
145—Campbell vs. Prederfe.	78—Water Commissioners of Detroit vs. Burr.
306—Simonson vs. Walker.	298—Henderson vs. Mahoney.
394—Harrison vs. Tinker.	356—Buckman vs. Monteroth.
322—Beckwith vs. Bates.	610—Stroub vs. [Third-av. Railroad.
350—Norris vs. Kohler.	
226—Smith vs. Commonwealth Fire Ins. Co.	
316—Smith vs. Baltic Fire Ins. Co.	

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Larremore, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M. One-Hour Causes.

Nos.	Nos.
866—Bonneville vs. Frank.	912—Bernhard vs. Libco.
814—Newton vs. Townsend.	1009—Newell vs. Kidd.
925—Steinkampf vs. Hockheimer.	926—Fowler vs. Bela.
	618—Hennessy vs. Kelly.
	722—Cushman vs. Allen.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Alker, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 10 A. M. Short Causes.

Nos.	Nos.
3042—Horan vs. O'Brien.	4899—Lowenthal vs. O'Brien.
4926—Pinckney vs. Aldrich.	4900—Benton vs. Taylor.
4518—Derby vs. O'Neil.	4901—Mopense vs. De Spotte.
4746—Rosenburg vs. Leopold.	4902—Wolf vs. Wolf.
4862—Candiet vs. Grigg.	4904—Briggs vs. Brockway.
4281—Rosenfield vs. Grenker.	4905—Henrich vs. Burgtolf.
4882—Feure vs. Gassan.	4906—Kelly vs. Sampler.
4898—Taylor vs. Van Krantz.	4907—Reiser vs. Muller.

Part II.—Held by Gross, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
4746—Albrecht vs. Fleischmann.	4780—Schneelin vs. Koelle.
4334—Lockwood vs. Mercantile Loan &c., Company.	4883¾—Hopkins vs. Holland.
4851—Holt vs. Hart.	4887—Carrigan vs. Corkey.
4876½—Simon vs. Jessureen.	4888—Same vs. Same.
4530—Hardy vs. Hession.	4890—Youmans vs. Mooney
4767—Meyer vs. Zundt.	4892—Williams vs. Magg.
4876—Chichester vs. Higham.	4893—Brainerd vs. Freese.
	4894—Teachner vs. Salomon.
	4896—Arnold vs. Leamy.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 19.

By Judge Sutherland.

Bangs vs. Nordheimer; motion denied.

In the matter of the petition of James Rowe, &c.; report of referee confirmed and order made.

Kip vs. Richardson; motion denied with $10 cost to the defendant, to abide the event of the action.

In the matter of the final accounting of Anne J. C. Williams; motion granted; order to be resettled on notice.

Leonora E. Bowen vs. Henry C. Bowen; judgment of divorce granted.

By Judge Cardozo.

Fallgraf vs. The World's Paper Stock Company; motion denied without costs and without prejudice.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 19.

By Chief-Justice Barbour.

Lyon vs. Brulle; Mary Leach vs. Wm. Leach; Oberstein vs. Friedburg; McDonald vs. Kipp; Scudder vs. Central Gold Mining Company; O'Brien vs. Zeigler; orders granted.

By Judge Freedman.

Hayden vs. De Mets; see memorandum for counsel.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 19.

By Judge Joseph F. Daly.

Carr vs. Hughes; motion denied, bail reduced to $150.

Baumeister vs. Rich; motion to vacate order of arrest denied.

Fischbeck vs. Pickhardt; judgment for plaintiff.

Pietsticker vs. Koch; see memorandum with Clerk.

By Judge Robinson.

Sheldon vs. Lake; motion granted in part, without costs.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 19.

FIRST BOARD.

$15,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67	107⅜	200 Pac. Mail. b. c. b10.	42⅜
7,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '67	107⅜	100 do.	42⅜
5,000 do.	107⅜	1600 do.	42⅜
50,000 do.	b3.108	200 do.	42⅜
8,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '68	108⅛	500 do.	42⅞
5,000 U. S. 10-40 C.	107⅞	200 do.	b30. 43
10,000 Tenn. 6s, o.	61	100 do.	43
9,000 do.	64	200 do.	b30. 43⅛
20,000 do.	64⅛	100 do.	43⅛
5,000 do.	64⅜	100 do.	b30. 43⅜
35,000 Tenn. 6s, n.	64⅜	700 do.	43⅜
5,000 N. Car. old bds.	100	100 Quicksilver Min.	5
5,000 do.	45⅝	200 A. M. U. Ex. b. c.	42
5,000 N. Car. 6s, n.	22⅛	200 N. Y. Cent. & Hud. bet. call.	91⅞
1,000 N. Car. 6s, Sp. Tax	18½	100 do.	b3. 91⅞
22,000 S. Car. 6s, n., Jan. & July.	60	100 Erie.	22⅛
1,000 do.	60½	200 Harlem.	131⅜
7,000 Mo. 6s, H. & St. Jos. Iss.	88	200 do.	131
6,000 Ga. St. 6s, bet. c.	81	200 Reading.	96⅜
1,000 N. Y. St. 7s, By	40	80 Panama.	b10. 71
1,000 do.	70	17 do.	70⅛
1,000 Brklyn 6s, W.	92½	40 do.	70
2,000 N. Y. Cent. 6s, '83	91	400 Union Pacific.	15⅜
3,000 Cent. Pac. G. bds.	90⅛	100 Ohio & N. W.	71
1,000 L. Shore Div. bs.	92⅜	200 Chic. & N. W. Pref.	83⅛
10,000 Pac. 10s, Int.	42⅜	5 do.	83⅜
13,000 Chi. & N. W. Con.	87⅜	100 do. bet. call.	83⅛
1,000 Gt. West. 1st, '88.	90⅜	200 Chic. & R. I.	106⅜
2,000 do.	90	100 Mil. & St. Paul.	68⅜
1,000 Gt. Western 2d.	81⅜	do. bet. c. b3.	52⅜
15,000 C. & R. I. & P., '75	106	200 Del., Lack. & W.	103⅛
5,000 P., Ft. W. & C. 2d.	96	100 do.	103⅜
5,000 Mil. & St. P. 1st.	91⅛	100 Alt. & T. H. Pref.	57⅛
1,000 Mil. & St. Paul Con.	94⅛	100 Ohio & Miss.	31⅜
5 Am. Ex. Bank.	114⅜	200 Chic. & Alton.	114⅜
15 do.	113⅜	100 Chic., Bur. & Q.	115
10 Merch. Ex. Bank.	100⅜	200 H. & St. Joseph.	83⅛
5 Del. & Hud. Canal.	131⅛	200 do.	83⅜
600 West. Union Tel.	87⅛	100 do.	83⅜
50 do.	87⅜	200 do.	83⅞
10 do.	87⅜	600 H. & St. Jos. Pref.	97
400 do. bet. c.	87⅜	200 do.	97⅛
400 do. c.	b10. 87⅜	200 Col., C. & I. Cen.	18⅛
200 do.	b3 87⅜	100 do.	18⅛
100 Mich. Central.	117⅛	100 do.	b30. 18⅛
200 L. S. & M. So.	89⅜	26 Morris & Essex.	88⅛
200 do.	89⅜	50 New-Jersey bet. c.	123
100 do. bet. call.	89⅜	123 Rome & W'town.	124⅛
200 do.	89⅜		

SECOND BOARD.

$15,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R. b3	110⅜	100 N. Y. C. & H. R. bet. call.	s60 92
5,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '64	108⅝	100 do.	s3 92
5,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '65, new.	107⅛	100 Erie.	b3 22⅜
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, new.	107⅛	100 Reading.	b3 96
1,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67.	107⅞	1000 do.	96⅜
14,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67.	108	200 do.	b3 96⅜
30,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	107⅜	100 L. S. & M. So.	89
84,500 do.	107⅜	5 do.	90
5,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 R.	107⅜	100 do. bet. c.	s30 89⅛
10,000 U. S. 6s, Cur.	110	5 Panama.	70⅛
11,000 Tenn. 6s, n.	64⅛	50 do.	70
10,000 S. C. St. 6s, Jan. & July.	59⅜	100 C. & N. W. Pf. b. c.	83⅛
5,000 Mo. St. 6s.	90⅜	200 do.	s3 83⅛
4,000 Ark. 6s, Fund. A.	59⅜	100 Union Pacific.	17⅜
1,000 Pac. R. 1st M.	70⅜	100 do.	17⅜
5,000 U. Pac. 7s, L. G. B.	65⅛	200 do.	s3 17⅜
5,000 C., C. & I. C. 1st M	83	100 do. bet. call	17⅜
200 Mariposa M. Co.	5	200 do.	17⅜
300 Madison Gas Co.	2	100 Chi. & R. I.	106⅜
200 W. U. Tel.	s3 87⅛	800 do. bet. call	105⅜
100 do.	b3 87⅛	400 Mil. & St. Paul.	52⅛
64 do.	87⅛	10 do.	52⅛
700 do.	b3 87⅜	100 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	72
300 do.	87⅜	11 Del., Lack. & W.	104
3.0 do. bet. call	87⅛	20 do.	103⅜
300 Pac. M. S. Co. b. c.	43⅛	420 Morris & Essex.	88⅛
20 U. S. Express.	58⅛	50 H. & St. J. R. Pf.	84⅛
100 do.	58⅜	100 Pitts., F. W. & C. R.	97⅛
20 do. bet. call	36⅛	50 Col., C. & I. Cen.	18⅛
34 Wells-Fargo Ex.	35	100 do.	18⅛
200 Ohio & Miss.	31⅛		

THURSDAY, Jan. 19—P. M.

There was an apparent demand for $7,036,000 Gold at the Treasury Office at noon today, bids for this amount having been opened and only $1,000,000 awarded. It is currently explained that the Banks are now holding a somewhat inconvenient surplus of National Bank Notes, which, in common with Greenbacks, are receivable for Gold at the Treasury, and that a good many of the bids, including the successful bid of Messrs. Kenyon Cox & Co. for $950,000 at 110⅛ ₱ cent. were made with a view to employ National Notes. Messrs. Heiser & Son were awarded $50,000 at 110.63⅛ ₱ cent. The subsequent sales of Gold in the open market were at 110⅛ ₱ cent., so that the numerous bids (forty-seven in number) for $7,036,000 had no after influence on the prevailing feeling in the Gold Room, which favors steadiness in price, rather than any immediate advance or decline.

Bills on London hold steady at 109½@109⅝ ₱ cent. on actual sales for cash, while several of the leading drawers are making settlements at 109⅝ ₱ cent. The importers are just now engaged in paying Customs Duties, to a large amount, on Foreign Merchandise passing through the Custom-house into the market. The four days of the week, including $526,000, today, amount to about $2,300,000.

The ease in Money is more decided today than at any time during the week, and a good many Stock Houses were accommodated at 6 ₱ cent. The "lock up" of Tuesday has almost ceased to be spoken of on the Street.

In the Public Funds a stronger feeling than yesterday developed itself after 13 o'clock, and a fair amount of business was done in nearly all descriptions of 5-20s and 10-40s.

The Southern State Bonds were active in South Carolinas, which further recovered from the depression of yesterday morning, and firm for Tennessees. The Union Pacific Bonds continue to recover under a liberal demand for moderate sums from the outside public, and there is a good inquiry for Central Pacifics and many of the old Western Mortgages, while the new Bonds of the Midland New-York, Des Moines Valley, &c., are gradually working their way into favor.

The Stock Exchange was active and generally firm on the Railways and Western Telegraph and Pacific Mail. Among the first-named, the Preferred and Common Stocks of the Hannibal and St. Joseph show the largest advance; and next to these, the cheap shares of the Union Pacific, which attract an active speculation, and rose to 17⅛ ₱ cent. Western Telegraph sold largely at 47⅛ @47¼ ₱ cent., and Pacific Mail was also active at rapidly advancing prices.

After the late Boards the following quotations were made, as compared with Wednesday night. The buoyancy in the Railways became more general in the Long Room, New-York Central taking the lead:

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—JAN. 19.

	Wednesday.	Thursday.
United States 10-40s	107¾	107⅞
United States 5-20s of 1862	109¾	109⅞
United States 5-20s of 1867	107⅞	108
American Gold	110⅝	110⅝
Bills on London, 60 days	109¼	109¼
New Bonds of Tennessee	63½	64¼
New-York Central and Hudson	92	92⅛
N. Y. C. & H. Debt Certificates	88	88⅛
Reading Railroad	96⅞	96⅞
Chicago and Rock Island	106	106
North-west Common	71¾	72
North-west Preferred	83	83½
Pacific Mail Company	42¾	43
St. Paul Preferred	73	73½
St. Paul Common	52⅜	52⅝
Lake Shore	89½	89⅝
Ohio and Mississippi	31¾	31⅝
Toledo and Wabash	51	51¾
Western Telegraph	47⅛	47⅜
Erie	22¾	23½
St. Joseph Common	83	84⅝

UNITED STATES TREASURY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 19.

Gold receipts	488,591 67
Gold payments	435,331 52
Gold balance	61,578,590 76
Currency receipts	176,873 58
Currency payments	1,858,283 79
Currency balance	7,345,341 94
Customs	526,000 00

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ cent. reg., 1881	110¾	5-20 coup., 1867	107⅞
6 ₱ cent. coup., 1881	110⅝	5-20 coup., 1868	108⅛
6-20 coup., 1863	109⅛	10-40 reg.	107⅛
5-20 coup., 1864	108⅛	10-40 coup.	107⅛
5-20 coup., 1865	108⅛	6s Currency	110
5-20 coup., n. 1., 1865	107⅛		

And the following for State Bonds:

Tennessee 6s, old	64½	Ohio 6 ₱ cent., '81	100¾
Tennessee 6s, new bds	64½	Ohio 6 ₱ cent., 86	100¾
Virginia 6s, old	61	Illinois Canal 6s	100
Virginia 6s, new bds	61	Illinois Coup. 6s, '77	100
Georgia 6s	78	Illinois Coup. 6s, '79	100
Georgia 7s, gold bds	93⅜	Illinois War Loan	100
N. Car. 6s, old	43½	Indiana 5 ₱ ct. War	100
N. Car. Fund. Act, '68	29	Indiana 5 ₱ ct. War L.	100
N. Car. 6s, new bds	22⅛	Michigan 6 ₱ ct., '75	99
N. Car. 6s, Spec. Tax	18	Michigan 6 ₱ ct., 78	99
S. Car. 6s, old	59⅛	Michigan 7 ₱ ct., '83	109
S. Car. 6s, new bds	59⅛	N. Y. Reg. Bounty L.	105⅛
Missouri 6s	90	N. Y. Coup. Bounty L.	106
Mo. 6s, H. & St. J. Iss.	88	N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '72	103
Louisiana 6s, Lev. bds.	70	N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '73	103
Louisiana 8s, Lev. bds.	80	N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '74	103
Louisiana 7s, Penit'y	72	N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '75	103
California 7s	106	N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '76	103
Connecticut 6s	100	N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '77	103
Rhode Island 6s	100	N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '78	103
Arkansas 6s, Funded	59½	N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '79	103
		N. Y. 6s, Canal L., '74	100

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, '83	91	Gt. West. 1st, '88	100
N. Y. Cen. 6s, '87	97½	Gt. West. 1st, '88	90
N. Y. Cen. 6s, R. Est.	88	Gt. West. 2d, '93	81
N. Y. Cen. 6s, Subsc'n	98	Unin. & Pot. 1st, '95	79
Hud. R. 6s, 1st	101	Ill. & So. Iowa 1st	79
N. Y. C. 7s, conv., '76	100	Gal. & Chic. 2d	94
Erie 1st Ext.	95	Chic., R. I. & Pac.	97
Erie 1st indorsed	92	Morris & Essex 1st	101
Erie 7s, 2d ind., '79	92	Morris & Essex 2d	90
Erie 7s, 3d ind., '80	92	Clev. & Pitts. S. F.	100
Erie 7s, 5th ind., '83	79	N. J. Cen. 1st	101
Hud. R. 7s, 2d S. F., '85	101¼	N. J. Cen. New Bds.	105¾

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NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, JAN. 20, 1871.

Amusements this Evening.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
OURS. Leading characters by Messrs. Lester Wallack, Gilbert, Fisher, Binsgold, Miss Effie Germon, Miss Emily Mestayer, and Mrs. Barry.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., corner 6th-av.
RICHELIEU. Characters by Messrs. Edwin Booth, Barrett, Sheridan, Miss Pateman, Miss Livingston and others.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.
24th-st., near Broadway.
SARATOGA. Leading characters by Messrs. Raymond, Lewis, Davidge, Miss Fanny Davenport and Miss Fanny Morant.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, cor. Houston-st.
WEE WILLIE WINKIE. Characters by Messrs. G. L. Fox, Honeywood, Atkins, Miss Fanny Beane, Miss Rogers, Miss Teamann, and others.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, near Prince-st.
THE BLACK CROOK. Leading characters by Messrs. Morton, Rogers, Hamilton, and Miss Pauline Markham.

LINA EDWIN'S THEATRE.
Broadway, near Washington-place.
MAZEPPA and HIS LAST LEGS. Leading characters by Mr. Frank Drew.

STADT THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
ADRIENNE LECOUVREUR. Leading character by Mme. Maria Seebach.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.
Broadway, corner 30th-st.
DRAMA, FARCE AND SPECTACLE. Afternoon and evening. Large collection of curiosities on exhibition.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., between 2d and 3d avs.
GRAND EQUESTRIAN AND GYMNASTIC PERFORMANCES.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
14th-st., corner Irving-place.
LECTURE BY PROF. CHARLES F. CHANDLER. Subject: "Water."

BROOKLYN TABERNACLE.
Schermerhorn-st., near Powers-st.
THE MESSIAH, (Oratorio.) Artists: Miss Clara Louise Kellogg, Mrs. Jenny Kempton, Mr. Geo. Simpson, Mr. C. M. Wyman and grand orchestra.

WEBER'S ROOMS.
5th-av., corner 16th-st.
LECTURE BY MISS MINNIE C. SWAYZE. Subject: "Women of all Ages."

COOPER INSTITUTE.
3d-av., corner 8th-st.
FREE LECTURE BY HON. N. P. LANGFORD. Subject: "Upper Waters of the Yellowstone River."

LYCEUM HALL.
Broadway, corner 99th-st.
LECTURE BY DR. HOWLAND. Subject: "The Christian Catacombs of Subterranean Rome."

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE WAR.

The bombardment of Paris is continued slowly but steadily. The gunners, according to Versailles telegrams, systematically avoid firing on public buildings. A flag of truce, with letters, was sent into Paris on the 17th. A Versailles dispatch also says Count BISMARCK has been ill, but has partially recovered. A Havre telegram says the 50,000 troops from Cherbourg, to reinforce the Army of the Loire, failed to join CHANZY, the railroad having been cut at Alençon by the Germans. A Versailles telegram says the losses of the Germans in the battles with Gen. CHANZY are set down at 177 officers and 3,208 men, killed and wounded, while the French lost, besides their killed and wounded, 12,000 prisoners unwounded. Another Versailles dispatch says the French continue their retreat, having left Laval, a town forty-one miles north-east of Rennes and 150 west south-west of Paris, pursued by the Germans, who had already followed the French fourteen miles beyond Laval, capturing 2,000 more prisoners. Gen. KEILLER, commanding a German force in the east, occupied Fraizet, Chaubrier, and repulsed several French attacks on the towns occupied by him. The fighting continued three days, during which he lost 1,100 men. A force of about 1,000 Garde Mobiles were dispersed by the Germans near Langres, a fortified town thirty miles to the northward of Dijon. A London telegram of the 17th reports that Gen. WERDER maintained his position to the southward of Belfort on the east, against renewed attacks of the French, with comparatively small loss. Another dispatch reports fighting along the entire line on the 17th. The Germans have completely invested Longwy. A French brig has been captured off Bordeaux by a German frigate.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

A recent article in the St. Petersburg *Journal* criticises the reply of the Austrian Foreign Minister to the note of Count GORTSCHAKOFF, in caustic language, and distinctly says that Austrian policy is not calculated to secure the friendship of Russia, or of the Western Powers. Baron VON BEUST recently in a debate on the Budget defended the policy of friendliness with Prussia. The Russian Budget is said to be satisfactory. The deficit is only five millions of roubles.... The King of Prussia counsels Prince HENRY of Luxembourg to be prudent and cautious, and says Prussia never intended to attack the independence of the Grand Duchy..... Assassinations of policemen are renewed in Ireland.

CONGRESS.

Among the petitions presented at the opening of the Senate yesterday was one from citizens of Iowa praying for the "establishment of an umpire to prevent wars." Several new bills were introduced, one of them providing for Government aid for the construction of a railroad from Portland to Chicago, the rates for transportation and passenger fare to be established by the Postmaster-General, and another providing for the appointment of Government officers after examination as to their qualifications and three months probation. A bill abolishing the rank of Admiral and Vice-Admiral in the Navy was passed with an amendment continuing them until vacancies occur. Several bills granting subsidies to steam-ship lines were made the special order for Friday of next week. Mr. MORTON's resolution for a Special Committee to investigate the condition of affairs in the South was agreed to without further debate and without a division on the vote. The hours from 1¼ to 5 P. M., were spent in Executive Session.

In the House a memorial was presented protesting against the cruelties practiced in the war in France, and praying for an expression of sympathy with the French Republic. Two other new bills were presented and appropriately referred, and a bill granting an American register to a British ship owned at New-Bedford, was passed. The bill for the consolidation of the Indian tribes and the organization of the Territory of Oklahoma was reported, and after some debate went over until Tuesday next. The bill extending the time for the construction of the St. Croix Railroad came up as the special order of the day, and a lively debate ensued, which was made up largely of criminations and recriminations between the members from Pennsylvania on the subject of voting grants of land to railroads. The bill finally went over till Tuesday next. The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the Consular Appropriation bill, which appropriates $1,455,000. A proposition to raise the salary of the Secretary of Legation at St. Petersburg from $1,800 to $2,500 was rejected. A motion made by Mr. WOOD, of New-York, that no part of the contingent fund should be used in the effort to annex San Domingo, gave rise to some debate, which occupied the remainder of the day, and the Committee arose and the House adjourned without disposing of the matter.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Among the bills introduced in the Senate, yesterday, was one authorizing the Ogdensburg and Lake Champlain Railroad Company to issue its common stock to the amount of its second mortgage bonds, not exceeding $3,000,000. Notice was given of bills to provide for a new district Court-house and Police in the Eleventh Ward of New-York; requiring railroad companies in the State to provide free passage over their roads to members and attachés of the Legislature; to exempt bonds and mortgages on real estate from taxation; and to refund money paid for substitutes in the war of the rebellion. The resolution to adjourn finally on the 3d of March was called up and amended, on motion of Mr. TWEED, by making the date Feb. 22, and still further, on motion of Mr. PARKER, by adding that no bill to raise money by appropriation in taxation shall be introduced during the last four days of the session, and in this form the bill was tabled by 15 to 14. After an Executive Session, the Senate adjourned. In the Assembly, the bills amending the act of incorporation of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, and the authorizing Courts to fix the number of additional jurors to be summoned, were passed. Bills were introduced to provide for a further supply of water in Brooklyn, and requiring marine and fire insurance companies to issue policies in better form. Resolutions were offered instructing the Committee on Insurance to investigate the affairs of the insurance companies of New-York; requiring that the directors of the Erie Railway Company file their annual report with the State Engineer before Jan. 24; and that the Legislature adjourn *sine die* March 8; all of which were laid over under the rule, and the House adjourned.

GENERAL.

The directors of the "United Railway Companies" met in Trenton, N. J., yesterday. The meeting was called to decide the transfer of the lease of the roads to the Pennsylvania Central Railroad, but nothing definite was arranged.

The Secretary of the Navy has ordered the ship-of-war *Oyane* to Magdalena Bay, Lower California, to make a survey of the Bay and ascertain the best harbor for a coaling station.

HENRY BURDEN, the inventor and iron manufacturer, dropped dead of heart disease at his residence in Troy, N. Y., at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. He was about eighty years of age.

Vessels arriving at Halifax, N. S., report the gale of the 9th as terrific. No loss of life is reported yet. None of the Halifax marine insurance companies are able to pay a dividend on last year's business. The losses of the year were very large.

Friday, the 27th inst., has been fixed by the State Canal Board as the time at which they will make the canal appointment.

The Assistant Treasurers in Boston and Philadelphia have been authorized to redeem three per cent. certificates in the same manner as in New-York.

A Pottsville, Penn., telegram says the "boss" of the Luke Fidler Colliery was shot at on Wednesday by a person concealed by the roadside. The ball passed close to the intended victim's head. The colliery is one of three in operation.

The examination in the case of FILKINS, suspected of the recent express robbery in Albany, was further postponed yesterday until to-day. HALPINE is able to walk about the hospital.

The Waterbury (Vt.) National Bank was entered by burglars on Wednesday night, but after blowing open the outer door of the safe, the inner offered such resistance that they were obliged to abandon the effort and leave, penniless and minus their "kit," which they left behind.

Three express robbers, operating on the Central Pacific Railroad, have been sentenced to thirty years in the State Prison in California.

The storm about Chicago, from the 13th to the 15th inst., completely isolated that city from the rest of the world. The snow alternated with sleet, which loaded the wires and broke them in places for from seventy to one hundred miles in various directions, compelling the Western Union Company to employ 1,000 men to repair the damage. The first news received in Chicago reached there by way of St. Louis and Omaha.

The *Hornet* is reported from Havana to have gone to Hayti. MANUEL RAYMON SILVA, the insurgent Governor of Camaguey; Dr. SARRIOL and other leaders, are reported, via Havana, to have surrendered to the Spanish authorities at Puerto Principe.

A defense has been offered in the United States Court in Richmond, Va., in a suit to recover the price of slaves sold in 1863, that the negroes had been freed by the Emancipation Proclamation, and, therefore, that the sale was not lawful. The decision is looked for anxiously, as many cases of the same nature will be affected by it.

The officer in command of United States troops in Robeson County, N. C., has asked for reinforcements to enable him to cope with the outlaws who abound in that county. A squad of soldiers accompanies every train on the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad.

A resolution regretting the action of the Virginia Senate on the Thomas and Lee portrait matter, was tabled in the Missouri House of Representatives yesterday.

The buildings and machinery at the water works tunnel shaft at Cleveland, Ohio, were destroyed by fire on Wednesday night. Four men were in the tunnel when the fire broke out, but were rescued. The loss is from $3,000 to $4,000.

A banquet is to be given to Gen. BLAIR in St. Louis before his departure from Washington.

A New Way of Taxing a Community.

In days when a large sum of money can easily be obtained for the erection of a statue to such a man as W. M. TWEED, we need not be much surprised at anything that happens. But if any new proposal of the Tweedites *could* excite astonishment, it would be that which they have just made in the Legislature. It amounts to this: "Dear Public, do not be robbed any longer by driblets. Intrust all your property to us, and we will take what we want, and give you back the rest." Robert Macaire never equaled the audacity of this proposal, but then Robert Macaire did not have the luck to live in New-York under Democratic rule. The patience of the public under wrong after wrong naturally encourages the Tweedites to proceed further and further toward the creation of a despotism, pure and simple. Their plan of levying taxes without reference to the Legislature is only going back to the principle which was tried upward of two hundred years ago in England, and still exists in Oriental countries. In England, however, they chopped off a king's head for attempting to put that principle into practice, and since then the experiment has rather fallen out of favor. Even in the East, a revolution is sometimes the consequence of trying to raise money without going through the formality of consulting the people.

The *World*, which would swallow anything that came from the "Ring," very naturally rejoices over the proposed change. The proposed Board, it says, "possesses the requisite knowledge, and it is small enough in number to feel a proper responsibility." Now the "proposed Board" consists of TWEED and SWEENY, whom the *World* once told us were swindlers, Mayor HALL, whom it said was a "shameless corruptionist of the Ring," and Controller CONNOLLY, whose chief claim to public support is that he refuses to give any account whatever of the way in which the City funds are expended. Well may the *World* say that "no one can doubt the efficiency" of the Board. No one doubted the efficiency of the aforesaid Robert Macaire, but he was never made by the people the depositary of the tax-paying power. The *Tribune*, while taking a different view from that of the *World*, says "we make no opposition to Mr. TWEED's bill, and counsel none"—and this on the ground that the "legislative scrutiny" is "a mischievous mockery." Very likely it often is so—but still it is better to preserve constitutional forms of levying taxes while we can. Some day or other these forms may turn out to be useful. In parting with them we surrender the only possible protection we can ever find. Bad as the Legislature may be, we would rather be in its hands than turned over to the absolute and irresponsible rule of four men, not famous for studying the public welfare. The *Tribune* further says:

"Give them by law all the power that they wield in fact, and the four magnates would make all the money they want, yet save our tax-payers five millions per annum that they now pay for the services of their tools. TWEED's Tax-Levy bill sweeps away some drapery, enabling them to rule more directly, therefore less expensively, than at present."

We hope our contemporary will review its judgment on this subject. It cannot seriously entertain any belief in the honesty of the proposed Board. The idea of men like TWEED and SWEENY ever going to work to save the tax-payers five millions per annum, would cause a fresh spasm of laughter to the "Cheshire cat" of the story books. These men want greater facilities for plundering the community, and they will get them whenever their precious Board is appointed.

Just see how the scheme will work. The valuation of property may be raised to any amount, provided the taxes are kept at the rate of two per cent. The Tweedites have the Tax Levy absolutely in their own hands, and by suppressing all public accounts, and calling in Messrs. ASTOR, TAYLOR and ROBERTS now and then to give them a coat of whitewash, they may dispose of the funds raised by taxation in any manner they please. A proposal so impudent has never been made in any society professing to be governed upon constitutional principles. Perhaps there are no four men in this or any other city to whom such powers could safely be entrusted. It would be inexpedient to give them the power, even if we could be quite sure of their integrity. It is a total departure from the very basis of representative government. With the facilities which the Tweedites have invented for cheating the public, it would be madness to give them the unlimited authority they now seek. They have put in force a system of suppressing all accounts of expenditure. For three years they have never allowed the Controller to issue a report. They now want to raise taxes without any reference to the Legislature, and then cover up all particulars as to how they spend the money. Such a proposition would at one time have been received with universal indignation. But there really is no limit to the endurance of the public nowadays. TWEED knows it, and intends to profit by the chance. We cannot have his statue too soon—and by the bye, we are glad to see that HANK SMITH, who is not at all a Tammany Republican, is one of the Trustees for raising it. It is of no use talking of BISMARCK while we have a greater than he at our very doors. When the new Board gets to work, we shall all make a practice of going out every morning to place a floral wreath on TWEED's beautiful monument.

A Chance for an Astrologer.

It will hardly do to reproach politicians much longer with being worse than other men if our Methodist friends keep on finding out frauds, in the peculiar fashion of which the "investigation" now pending in the publishing building, is giving us a specimen. It is a year and a half since Dr. LANAHAN, the Assistant Agent in charge of the Concern, said there was dishonesty in its management; but from that day to this, the principal men of the Church have been unable to find out whether there was or not. The Concern keeps, we believe, full books of accounts; all its transactions are recorded in some way or other. It has, like all other great establishments, a system of checks; it has servants whose character has never been suspected. The City swarms with experienced accountants; and the Methodist Church swarms with shrewd business men. One of the greatest publishing firms in the country—the HARPERS—belongs to it, and the members certainly are competent to tell very quickly whether all has been going on right in the Book Concern. Nevertheless, it seems that the truth cannot be found out. Two or three committees have sat upon it, but in vain. One of them made a minority and a majority report, but neither seemed to offer a solution of the mystery with which anybody was content. Neither books, book-keepers, heads of departments, agents, treasurers or superintendents can throw any light on the matter. Was there ever anything so curious?

We do not like to be impertinent or meddlesome, but we cannot help, under the circumstances, suggesting to the gentlemen in charge of the investigation the propriety of consulting a medium, or electro-biologist. There are plenty of them in the City, who for a mere trifle, and the loan of a dark room in the publishing building, would get to the bottom of the matter in five minutes. We do not mean to say that this mode of getting at the truth would be just the thing for a religious denomination to resort to; but then would it not be better than none? Would the scandal of finding out a fraud of this kind by the aid of table-rapping not be, on the whole, less serious than the scandal of so conducting the business of a great religious corporation as that nobody can tell whether there are frauds in it or not? If the books and the examination of witnesses are not sufficient to let the Methodist public know what becomes of the money they give for the diffusion of religious books, would it not be better on the whole to call in the aid of a seventh daughter of a seventh daughter, or some such instrument for the discovery of hidden things? Scandal for scandal, we doubt much whether the employment of a common fortune-teller or astrologist would not be preferable to the total failure of the inquiry with which we seem now to be threatened.

We understand, of course, the anxiety of the managers of the Concern to do something. The public expects them to do something, and they have done something. They have been making, during the past year a very respectable rumpus indeed. As far as noise goes, they have deserved well of the Church. If they do not mean to find out whether their goods have been misappropriated, and if so, who misappropriated them, they had better, however, be content with what they have already done. The trial of Dr. LANAHAN on a charge of libel, or slander, or making scandal, or whatever it is, is a work of supererogation at least. Nobody expected it of them, and nobody will be the better for it. It is very amusing, and has afforded a good deal of entertainment to the world at large, but then they are not bound to entertain the world at large; it is a waste of time and money to do so in this fashion.

There can be no greater mistake committed than supposing that anybody is deceived by the Lanahan trial. The general opinion of the community is—we beg to assure the promoters of it—that there have been frauds in the Concern; that Dr. LANAHAN lighted on traces of them, and that the leaders in the denomination are determined they shall not be exposed. After a good deal of very discreditable twisting and turning, and one or two attempts at whitewashing, on finding that the public is still suspicious, the managers resorted to the expedient of treating Dr. LANAHAN as a culprit, and converted the "investigation" into a mock trial. If they suppose people will be taken in by this device more than by the previous dodges, they greatly underrate the popular perspicacity. Everybody sees through the whole thing, and whatever the Methodist leaders may say among themselves, there is not one of them dare collect an assemblage of ordinarily intelligent, moral and religious people, in any part of the country, and try to persuade them that the trial of Dr. LANAHAN was a proper proceeding. They would be received with a broad laugh, and they know it.

The whole performance, let us say in all seriousness, bears a painful resemblance to the way in which politicians sometimes endeavor to have the party linen washed privately. One can no more imagine the Apostle Paul countenancing it than we can imagine his taking an active part in a caucus of Tammany Republicans. So far from obliging Dr. LANAHAN to select his counsel among the members of the Methodist denomination, we think he ought to be permitted, not inappropriately, to select them from among the members of the Tombs Bar. Not that these gentlemen would be the fittest men to represent their client, but they have a familiarity with the various devices by which cheatings and swindlings are covered up, which would be of immense service in resisting the turn which his enemies are trying to give to the inquiry.

We sincerely hope that, before the matter goes much further, all concerned in giving it this turn will see the serious injury which their performances are doing both to religion and morals, and will get out of the scrape into which they have got themselves as rapidly as possible. Any way whatever of getting out of it, no matter how clumsy, will be more creditable than a continuance of the proceedings.

"Codlin's Your Friend—Not Short."

The released Fenian prisoners who last night reached our City are in imminent danger of being torn to pieces. Two powerful parties are fighting to obtain possession of their bodies, and the battle is waged so furiously that nobody can tell whether "the refugees" will come out of it dead or alive. In the first place, Tammany claimed them as its own, and for a time none seemed inclined to dispute its pretensions. The recognized leaders of the Fenian organization identified themselves with Tammany, and applauded the munificence which awarded thousands stolen from the tax-payers to give *éclat* to the coming demonstration. The fitness of the thing admitted of no dispute. It was eminently proper that a partisan combination, deriving its main strength from the Irish vote, should pander to that vote by furnishing money for a demonstration of this kind. Had Mr. TWEED offered his Fifth-avenue mansion for their accommodation, or Mr. HALL his green coat for BURKE, and horses for the rest, there would have been no occasion for surprise.

But Republican managers discovered that a magnificent opportunity was before them. The Irish vote loomed up as something which, by a stroke of strategy, they might grasp. They thought that they had but to secure the *Cuba's* passengers to obtain the mastery over the entire Irish population of the City. Never before had such a chance occurred. Tammany's power might be challenged in its own household. The gods whom TWEED has worshiped, and by whose favor he reigns, might be induced to smile upon MURPHY. And then all would be serene. The Irish vote would become part of the Custom-house goods and chattels, and at the next election New-York would roll up eighty thousand Republican majority. There was genius in the conception. Luckily, too, the means were at hand for carrying it into execution. The immediate result is the fierce conflict now in progress for the smiles of the fortunate exiles. We hope they will survive the ordeal. It would be shocking if a group of poor fellows, who have just escaped from foreign dungeons, should be killed with kindness in this Irish City of New-York.

In the nature of things, Tammany might be expected to crawl in the gutters for the furtherance of its ends. If our glorious Corporation, rich in spoils, had chartered a tug-boat, filled its hold with champagne and boned turkeys at the tax-payers' expense, and accompanied the Tammany host as vouchers for its respectability, there would have been no wonder expressed. But when a revenue cutter, with a United States flag and United States officers, was pressed into the service in behalf of the ingenious scheme for capturing the Irish vote, and making it Republican,—men rubbed their eyes to make sure that there was no mistake. There was no mistake about it. A vessel representing Federal authority undertook to run a race with Tammany's boat. United States officials condescended to play second fiddle to TWEED, and to drag the national flag through dirty water in a hopeless contest with the Tammany crew. Imagine the blarney, the paltry trickery, the unmanly stooping to conquer, which marked this whole affair. Imagine the button-holing, the winking and whispering, the vile flattery and the viler falsehood, which are going on on both sides. And then let any candid man say whether the display is or is not one of which Americans have cause to be proud.

What is the occasion of all this noise? Who are these liberated prisoners, that party leaders must go crazy in the effort to secure them? In what do they differ from the hundreds of emigrants who land at Castle Garden every week? The Kossuth reception, as seen now, was extravagant enough, but, at least, KOSSUTH had some claims to public consideration. There was some reason in the welcome extended to men like MEAGHER and MITCHELL, for they were representative men, educated, able, and personally influential. Even the reception of STEPHENS was not unintelligible, for Fenianism was the creation of his mind. But with one or two exceptions, the men whom Mr. GLADSTONE has now sent over are neither better nor worse than thousands who were here before them. We have exiled patriots from Poland, Hungary, Germany, and elsewhere, but who ever heard of TWEED and Custom-house employés running a race to catch them? They came unnoticed, unhonored, and earn their bread quietly. Does the mere fact that O'DONOVAN ROSSA and his companions have been convicts in British prisons make them heroes and martyrs? If they deserve to be canonized for having been the victims of British law in the Fenian cause, what recompense is in store for the heroic O'NEILL, or the Fenians captured in Canada?

Of course Mr. GLADSTONE will now realize the folly of his temporizing policy. It was right that the Fenian prisoners should be released, but their release, to convey a moral, should have been unconditional. By compelling them to come to the United States as a condition of liberty, Mr. GLADSTONE rendered the act inoperative in Ireland, while he converted the ex-convicts into martyrs and exiles. His blundering in this case is akin to his whole Irish policy. That has been a succession of blunders, the general effect of which is seen in the present condition of Ireland, the unabated disaffection of its people, and the cowardly fear which impelled him to drive across the sea a handful of ordinary Irishmen, utterly destitute of influence in their native land.

Economy in Brooklyn.

The people of Brooklyn are generally alive to the necessity of doing something to reduce the burden of their local taxation; but, although much has been said about reform by prominent officials, and many plans for reducing expenses have been published, there is as yet no prospect of relief. It is somewhat amusing to notice the various devices resorted to for deluding the tax-payers into the idea that the public expenses are to be retrenched. Commissioner FOWLER, for instance, has published several letters showing how the department over which he presides—the Nassau Water—can be placed on a self-supporting basis. He proposes a general increase in the water-rates, so that relief in one direction will be followed by heavier charges in another. It has also been determined to build a new store reservoir at a cost of over a million and a half of dollars, the interest on which sum will, of course, swell the amount to be paid by the tax-payers. The general result of the move in the Water Department is, therefore, deceptive, indged as an economic agency. If the other branches of the City Government are economic in the same way that the Water Department proposes to be, the taxes will be increased next year to five and a half or six per cent., instead simply five, as Mayor KALBFLEISCH apprehends in his message.

An effort is now being made at Albany to increase the pay of the Brooklyn policemen and firemen, which does not look much like reducing expenses. The Police of that city now receive one thousand dollars a year, and the firemen seven hundred, and at these rates there is no difficulty in obtaining suitable men, and would not be if three times the present number were needed. In the present condition of the Brooklyn finances it would be folly to raise these or any other salaries. It is reported, however, that nine of the Brooklyn Democratic members of Assembly are in favor of granting the proposed increase.

The Board of Supervisors over the river, too, while as ready to talk economy as other officials, are not more likely to take any effective steps in that direction than the greedy placemen who are found in such profusion about our City Hall. During the past year extensive frauds were discovered in the management of the Kings County jails; but when a Supervisor, a few days ago, offered a resolution proposing the appointment of a committee to examine the accounts of the various committees of the Board, and the Superintendents of the Poor, the motion was promptly laid upon the table. The members opposing the resolution professed themselves desirous of doing all in their power to reduce taxation, but, at the same time, were suspiciously eager to smother investigation. This action of the Supervisors leads the *Eagle*, the Democratic organ of Brooklyn, to call for the abolition of the Board, but it is not at all likely that so excellent a suggestion will be adopted so long as the Democrats are in power.

The present policy of the Brooklyn rulers seems to be to tickle the ears of the tax-payers with talk about economy and retrenchment, but to do nothing to secure either. The burdens are now quite as heavy as the people can bear. The value of real estate declines, while the taxes steadily increase. Money has been expended with a lavish hand in laying patent concrete and wooden pavements, and although the city has hitherto only paid the interest on these sums, it is not improbable that it will have to become responsible for the principal also, since property-owners declare the assessment illegal, and are preparing to contest it in the Courts.

No More Delays in Law.

The law's delays have long been proverbial. Little Miss Elsie, with her visionary Chancery suit, and her addle-headed patience, has many a living successor. Down in Texas, however, instead of awaiting the slow conclusion of an interminable procession of writs and summonses and motions, of injunctions and counter injunctions, of arguments that convince no one, and decisions that decide nothing, they take a short cut to the merit of the question and the man. If the litigant finds the case going against him, he compromises by quietly dispatching his antagonist. Or, if the attorney discovers that his learned brother is too sharp for him, he counteracts the mental superiority by the simple expedient of blowing out his learned brother's brains. This is neat, expeditious, inexpensive, saves costs and lawyers' bills, and keeps one's hand in pistol practice. Sometimes the Judge rules the parties out of Court with a revolver, or disbars and disembowels at once an offending lawyer.

Lately this exemplary State furnished to our Criminal Courts the precedent of what we take to be the briefest murder trial on record. A certain lawyer of San Antonio, if we remember rightly, had a trifling disagreement with a State Senator. To a disagreement in Texas there is but one honorable termination. The lawyer promptly proved his case by making a vacancy in the State Senate. He then retired in good order to his residence, where, having hastily armed himself with doubled-edged law-points and a number of the most formidable six-barreled authorities of the Texas Bench, he awaited trial. The County Judge was equal to the emergency. Impaneling an informal jury, consisting of a double-barreled shot-gun and the Sheriff, he opened Court in front of the culprit's house, and advised him to plead guilty. This the prisoner declined, and brought the case to an issue at once, and secured a temporary verdict in his own favor by shooting the Judge. Unhappily for the doughty defendant, the Sheriff was a man who had a liberal notion of the scope of his office. He resolved himself at once into a Court of last Resort, overruled the judgment below, passed sentence, and executed it; and the prisoner together by a single motion of his revolver. So was justice triumphant, and the sanctity of Texas law been vindicated.

Perhaps, on the whole, most people would prefer the old delay to such dispatch as this. But if the Texas fashion were introduced here—if Mr. DAVID DUDLEY FIELD, for example, were to make a thrust at Mr. TWEED, shall we say, or Mr. FISK, and after serving on his Honor, Judge BARNARD, a perpetual injunction against longer living, were to be himself taken off by Sheriff BRENNAN, or that accomplished marksman, the Recorder,—what an end it would make of heart-burnings, and jealousies, and apprehensions, and what an easy solution it would bring to the inexplicable riddle of Erie law-suits! The public grief would be prodigal of tears and monumental brass, and the Erie stockholders would probably save enough in a year to justify magnificent obelisks to each of the victims. We do not certainly recommend this course, but if either of these gentlemen desires to leave after him *monumentum aere*—or Erie—*perennius*, he has the benefit of the suggestion.

What Came of a Billiard Match.

Those who risk money on games of chance or skill must sometimes expect to lose. Just as this estimate of chances seems, it appears never to have entered into the calculation of the betting fraternity of Chicago, if we are to believe the charges made in relation to the last railroad accident on the Michigan Southern and Lake Shore Road. On a down grade, near Laporte, in Indiana, the switch was so tampered with as to throw the entire train from the rails. Fortunately the cattle guards along the track stopped the cars, and prevented a frightful disaster. No one of the passengers was hurt, though all were, no doubt, a little frightened. It is alleged that certain unwise persons who had been deprived of their money by the untoward result of the recent billiard match at Buffalo between PARKER and RUDOLPHE, had devised this little entertainment as an agreeable surprise to the former, the winner of the match, who was believed to be on the train.

Whether these amateur engineers proposed to recoup their losses from Mr. PARKER's fortuitous abundance, or content themselves with the spiritual balm of "taking it out of his hide," does not clearly appear. In either case it was a novel expedient for repelling the indignities of fortune. A more dastardly and fiendish outrage than that of throwing a train from the track, imperiling the lives of hundreds of innocent people for the sake of plunder or personal revenge, cannot well be imagined. We trust, for the credit of votaries of billiards everywhere, that this strange rumor will prove to be unfounded.

That it could arise at all is only another indication of the demoralizing influence which professional match-games of every sort are sure to exert. Billiards, like base-ball in its proper sphere, is an attractive and healthful pastime, but, converted into a trade, it fosters idleness and ultimate depravity. We do not mean to imply that every professional billiard-player or better is capable of throwing a train of cars from the track, but as a class they are no more free than other gamblers from the reproach of being, in the main, useless members of the community, and of encouraging tendencies subversive of morality and order.

MINOR TOPICS.

It is encouraging to hear that "Prussia is urgent for the assembling of the Conference." Taken in connection with the fact of the slow progress of the bombardment of Paris, and the evident anxiety of the besiegers to keep the besieged well informed of how badly things look for France, it may be taken as a hint that the Germans are getting heartily sick of this "bloody business," and would like indisposed to develop some diplomatic method of getting through with it. The German statement that their gunners "systematically avoid firing on the public buildings" can only be compared with the French declaration about the damage done to the Luxembourg, Val de Grace and Sorbonne by the supposition that the aim of the artillerymen is somewhat uncertain. Now that Parisians have got accustomed to the screaming of the shells, it is probable that they have almost learned to regard them with the indifference common in such cases, though the compulsory evacuation of a large portion of the south-western arrondissements of the city must have constituted a substantial addition to the enforced discomfort.

Mr. CRANNELL modestly appears to the State Senate to compel railroad companies in the State to provide free passage for members of the Legislature and its attachés. Why not mulct the companies at a rate that will yield a nice addition to the spending money of the members? Why not compel the proprietors of the Delevan to provide them with free board and lodging, and wines to boot? Nay, why not enact a comprehensive law constituting the members "dead-heads" everywhere? As for the railroads, we protest that the Erie should be exempted. A company that divides two hundred thousand dollars annually among virtuous Senators and Assemblymen should not be required to give passes into the bargain.

The German advance from Le Mans to Alençon is now shown to have been solely for the purpose of intercepting, by a command of the railroad from Chartreux, the arrival of reinforcements to Gen. CHANZY. By this prompt action the 50,000 fresh troops that were being conveyed from the northern citadel were prevented from joining the main body of the Army of the Loire, which was being closely pressed on its retreat westward from Le Mans by the available force of the second German Army. Between Le Mans and the next rallying-point of the French—Laval—is about forty miles, and in their evacuation of the latter town, they leave the pursuing army only twenty miles behind. Rennes, the ancient capital of Brittainy, a town of about 40,000 inhabitants, and the central point of the province, is another forty miles to the westward. CHANZY may fairly calculate on being reinforced here if anywhere by the Breton peasantry and fishermen who have not already gone to the front, but from the determined nature of the Prussian advance, it seems highly improbable that he will be allowed time to rally any fresh levies. The Army of the Loire is in danger of getting into a sort of blind alley formed by a territory of about ninety miles broad, with the sea on three sides, and the German army barring retreat by the other. Under such circumstances, surrender or being wedged up among the mountains must inevitably follow a decisive defeat.

Yesterday's proceedings in the Assembly disclose a disposition to make the interest felt by the public in the management of insurance companies a pretext for handing them over to the tender mercies of the Standing Committee on Insurance. This is evidently a black-mailing device. Similar investigations have been authorized before, and their only result has been to enable a few persons, as ignorant of insurance as of the moon, to extort money from concerns that could ill afford to pay it. More harm than good is always done by movements of this sort. There is good ground for continuing and for working through the investigation which Superintendent MILLER has commenced, but our Albany legislators are not the men to render him efficient help. What they touch in the way of "inquiry," as called, they usually dedle.

The election of FRANK BLAIR to the Senate by the Missouri Legislature, illustrates the unchanged character of the Democracy of that State. BLAIR's only recommendation to the party which has espoused him is his violence. His Broadhead letter seemed him the nomination for the Vice-Presidency on the Seymour ticket, and a declaration of his continued adherence to the sentiments of that document obtained for him the steadfast support of the Missouri Democrats. BLAIR's ultraism has the merit of being outspoken. He disdains false pretenses. He left the National Convention, in 1868, in no doubt as to his hostility to the measures employed for the restoration of the South to the Union. And he has been frank enough to tell the men who have made him the associate of Mr. SCHURZ, that he hopes to aid in overthrowing the policy of the Republican Party at the South. He proclaims this as his senatorial mission. There shall be no peace if he can prevent it. Well, if there must be Copperheads in Congress, we suppose it is best to have the genuine article.

At a time when public policy seems to dictate a modification of the Test Oath, the proposition of Senator CARPENTER to extend it, compulsorily, to all grand and petit jurors in United States Courts, is singularly ill-timed. The act prescribing an additional oath for jurors, which was enacted in 1862, made the enforcement of the oath therein embodied discretionary on the part of the District-Attorney or the Court; and the form of oath itself was less stringent than that of the iron-clad. Mr. CARPENTER's bill leaves nothing to the discretion of the Court. It requires the Clerk to tender to "each and every person summoned" as a juror the full test oath, and disqualifies from serving any person who cannot take it. A laxity which was deemed safe amid the perils of rebellion is to give place to imperative harshness in a season of peace. We hope that the Judiciary Committee of the Senate will take a broader and wiser view of the situation. The effect of the bill in its present shape would be to multiply causes of difficulty in all parts of the country, and especially in the South, to obstruct the administration of justice in the Southern States, and to encourage perjury. These can be scarcely considered proper objects of legislation just now, and certainly they would furnish a rather unpleasant commentary on the results of reconstruction.

WASHINGTON.

Recommendations of Commissioner Pleasonton—The Ocean Steam-ship Project—Government Control of Railroads—Miss Ream's Statue of Lincoln—The Missouri Nominees Confirmed—Civil Service Reform—A Valuable Invention.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Commissioner PLEASONTON'S recommendation in favor of the repeal of the income tax made to the Ways and Means Committee yesterday, turns out to have been made with the knowledge and approval of the President. This gives fresh interest to the matter, and will serve to bring the question of repeal fairly before Congress at this session, in all probability. The Commissioner is also very confident that a system permitting the export of whisky, in lieu of the present prohibitory drawback requirements may be instituted, which can be successfully enforced, and relieve the existing stagnation in the distilling business. He suggests the authorization and use of an export stamp of a character similar to the tax stamps now in use, which stamps shall be of a denomination sufficient to cover the expense per barrel of handling, storing, gauging, &c. By prohibiting in addition the withdrawal from bond of whisky once entered and stamped for export, it is believed fraud would be prevented. These suggestions are likely to be put into formal shape for action.

OCEAN STEAM-SHIP BILL.

The bill to charter the American Mail and Ocean Steam-ship Company of New-York, which was introduced in the Senate on Tuesday by Mr. CONKLING, was introduced in the House by Mr. DAWES today. It went to the Committee on Commerce, which is not likely to have a chance to report this session, unless granted special leave to do so.

THE LAND GRANT QUESTION.

The land grant question got before the House again to day on a special order which came up in reference to the proceedings on the bill over which a sharp struggle occurred just prior to the holiday recess, the bill extending the time for the construction of the St. Croix and Lake Superior Railroad, which bill, by adding twenty-five miles to the length of the road, adds twenty-five miles of new land grant. The bill has been once laid on the table, and a motion to reconsider entered. A motion to lay that motion on the table failed by two votes, and the bill was then postponed. Today the House, by four majority, refused to lay on the table the motion to reconsider; then by five majority reconsidered the vote by which the bill was laid on the table. This brought the matter once more squarely before the House, and the previous question having exhausted itself, it was open for discussion. Debate was chiefly confined to certain amendments, proposed by the Committee on Public Lands, which the friends of the measure did not like, and there was considerable warmth manifested in some of the remarks. It is regarded as the entering wedge for three or four other measures, which there is a great pressure to pass at this session. The consideration of the bill was not concluded, and comes up to-morrow as unfinished business.

A NAVAL APPOINTMENT.

ISAIAH HANSCOM was today nominated Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair of the Navy Department, vice JOHN LENTHALL, Mr. HANSCOM was appointed naval constructor in 1846, and has been latterly stationed at the Portsmouth Navy-yard. Mr. LENTHALL has been Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair since November, 1853. The salary is $3,500 per year, with the rank of Commodore.

THE INDIAN QUESTION.

The Indian question has come squarely before the House in a bill reported from the Committee on Indian Affairs today for a consolidation of the Indian tribes, and the organization of a system for their Government in the Indian Territory. The design of the bill is to place all the Indian tribes, as far as possible, under one Government, and to bring the Indians not yet organized under governmental control under the influences of the civilized Indians now in the Indian territory. Considerable discussion followed the introduction of the bill, and then a dispute arose as to whether it should not be referred to the Committee on Territories, because that Committee has under consideration a bill for a Territorial Government for the Indians. Pending this question the morning hour expired.

GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF RAILROADS.

A bill to secure cheap transportation of breadstuffs and provisions between the West and the Atlantic sea-board was offered in the Senate today, by Mr. HAMLIN. It is a long bill, full of details, embodying a great project. The end which it aims at is to put a line of railroad under Government control as to equipments, service, road-bed, track, fares, tolls, and in every other respect. Its authorship is evidence that the plan is carefully considered, and impartially worked out in the bill, but it must meet with unbounded opposition from the great railway monopolies which its passage would break down. It is claimed that the plan would secure the carriage of wheat from Chicago to Portland for ten cents per bushel. It was referred to the Post-office Committee.

MISS REAM'S STATUE OF LINCOLN.

The time set for the unveiling of Miss REAM'S statue of LINCOLN is understood to be fixed as Wednesday evening of next week. In accordance with the original resolution giving her the commission, the statue will remain in the Rotunda, where it was set up on its arrival. The subject of the ceremonies at the unveiling was referred to the Joint Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds. Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, the Chairman, on the part of the Senate, and Mr. BEATTY, on the part of the House, from that Committee, will recommend that the Marine Band be present, and brief speeches will be made, probably by Messrs. TRUMBULL and CARPENTER of the Senate, and Messrs. BANKS and CULLOM of the House, and perhaps some others. These formalities are felt to be due, both to the memory of Mr. LINCOLN and the merit of the work.

MISSOURI APPOINTEES.

The Executive Session lasted from 1½ o'clock today till nearly 6. The confirmation of the Presidential appointees in Missouri, during the recent election, was the subject under discussion. It must have been patent from the beginning, even to Mr. SCHURZ, that the Senate could not do otherwise than sustain the President, and confirm the officers. The discussion though lengthy was not heated, and no ill-feeling was displayed. A great many of the Senators participated, and the speeches, for the most part, partook of the character of a justification of the Senate in voting to confirm. Mr. SCHURZ was treated with great courtesy and respect, and made no violent opposition. When the vote was finally taken the appointments were confirmed without a division of the Senate.

SHORT AND ACTIVE SESSION OF THE SENATE.

The business of the Senate, today, was in the main unimportant, though a good deal was accomplished in the hour and a half spent in open session. Numerous committee reports were received, and several bills, not of general interest, were passed, when the unfinished business of yesterday was reached, which was the resolution raising a special committee on the documents concerning Southern affairs. A vote was immediately taken, without a word of debate, and a division even was not called for. A large number of people were in the galleries in expectation of a continuation of the political debate of yesterday, and they were disappointed at the commonplace way in which the matter was concluded. It is not quite accounted for yet, seeing that DAVIS, POOLE and others had long speeches ready. In the morning hour Mr. RAMSEY attempted to have the Steam-ship Subsidy bills from the Post-office Committee assigned a day for a hearing. A good deal of discussion was provoked by attempts of other Senators to have the bills in which they were interested come up at the same time. It was finally agreed that Friday of next week should be devoted to all the bills on the subject now before the Senate and which may be reported by committees before that time. Under this provision the bill introduced by Mr. CONKLING, now with the Commerce Committee, will be before the Senate with the others.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

Mr. WILSON today introduced a bill to regulate the appointment of inferior officers in the civil service. This makes the third or fourth bill on the subject of civil-service reform before the Senate. The discussion, temporarily postponed by the debate on Southern affairs, yesterday, will be resumed on Monday next.

CANNON FOR MONUMENTS GIVING OUT.

A communication from the Secretary of War was laid before the Senate, in which it is stated that the condemned bronze cannon on hand are nearly all given away, and that it is even doubtful if all the grants thus far made can be honored. This will be cheerful news if it shall prevent the completion of certain undertakings whose monstrous models have made art lovers heartsick to which the old guns were to be devoted.

PROPELLER FOR CANAL-BOATS.

A patent was issued at the Patent Office this morning for a steam-propeller for a canal-boat, designed to avoid the washing away of canal banks. It is the invention of a Scotch mechanic at Piermont, N. Y., named MAIN, and the claim has been pending for nearly a year. The patent was only issued when a working model was placed in a miniature canal, and the operation shown to the examiners to be satisfactory. The screw of the propeller is placed under the bow of the boat, and draws the water underneath in such a manner that, so far as can be seen by the working of the model, no waves, current, eddy, or wash are perceptible in the wake of the boat. If the invention stands the test of practical operation equally well, a long-needed and very valuable result has been attained.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

REDEMPTION OF CERTIFICATES.

The Assistant Treasurers at Philadelphia and Boston have been authorized to redeem three per cent. certificates in the same manner these securities are redeemed in New-York.

SAVINGS BANK TAXATION.

Commissioner PLEASONTON has directed Collectors to suspend, until further notice, the collection of all taxes assessed on the undistributed earnings and dividends of savings banks having no capital stock, and enumerated in the proviso to section 110 of the act of July 30, 1864, as amended, and assessors to make no further assessment of said tax, except in cases where it is necessary to save the Government from being barred by lapse of time. This follows the rulings of Ex-Commissioners ROLLINS and DELANO on this subject, and reverses that of Acting Commissioner DOUGLASS.

NATIONAL BANKS OF NEW-YORK.

An abstract has been prepared at the office of the Controller of Currency, showing the condition of the national banks in the City of New-York at the close of business, Dec. 28. The aggregate of resources and liabilities are $386,070,301, and the following items appear as: Resources—Loans and discounts, $167,666,263; United States bonds, $48,621,200; due from banks, $16,760,259; checks and other cash items, $2,695,376; bills of banks, $1,675,302; cash, $34,905,731, including $20,080,721 in specie; clearing-house certificates, $18,440,000; three per cent. certificates, $8,475,000. Liabilities—Capital, $73,435,000; profits, $30,821,215; bank notes outstanding, $32,766,556; deposits, $169,059,071; due to banks, $73,554,820.

COLORED LABORERS IN THE SOUTH.

A memorial was presented in the Senate today by Senator MORTON, from the National Labor Convention, in behalf of the colored people, and in their name asks for the appointment of a commission to inquire into the condition of affairs in the Southern States. They represent that the colored people in the States in which the institution of slavery has lately existed are denied the equal protection of the laws, and are deprived of adequate means of education, cheated out of the earnings of their labor, and assaulted and murdered for exercising the rights of citizenship, and in defense of the principles of justice, of the claims of humanity, and of the interest of civilization; are subjected to a well-understood, wide-spread and undetermined system of persecution, cruelty and outrage, extending into the concerns of their lives, and expressly calculated and intended to keep them poor and ignorant, and thereby if not willing, passive victims to the arrogance, cupidity and oppression of those who formerly held them in slavery. They leave to Congress, to its wisdom and judgment, the ways and means of carrying out the object of their prayer.

THE POSTAL STATUTES.

The Senate Committee on Post-offices and Post-roads have reported back, with amendments, the House bill, to revise, consolidate and amend the statutes relating to the Post-office Department. They propose that the Postmasters, except in cases where the post-office building is the property of or is leased by the United States, may allow box-holders to provide lock-boxes or drawers for their own use, and at their own expense, which lock-boxes or drawers shall become the property of the United States, and be subject to the direction and control of the Post-office Department, and shall pay a rental at least equal to that of other boxes in the same office. The free-delivery letter system shall be established in all cities having a population of not less than 20,000. No obscene book, pamphlet, picture print, or other publication of vulgar or indecent character, or any letter upon the envelope of which scurrilous epithets may have been written or printed, or disloyal devices printed or engraved, shall be admitted into or carried in mail, under penalty. Postal cards are authorized under the Rules and Regulations of the Post-office Department. The Committee retain the section abolishing the franking privilege.

NOMINATIONS.

The following nominations were sent to the Senate today: ISAIAH HANSCOM, as Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repairs of the Navy Department; HENRY WARREN, Receiver of Public Moneys in Oregon City, Oregon; JOHN B. BAISCOE, Surveyor of Customs at Nottingham, Md.; D. C. RUGG, Postmaster at Huntsville, Ala.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The Senate today confirmed the following nominations during a session of four hours:

Albert G. Edwards, to be Assistant Treasurer at St. Louis; G. Evans, of Missouri, Register of the Land Office at Booneville, Mo.; J. R. Rawley, Surveyor of Customs at St. Joseph, Mo.; Elias W. Fox, Surveyor of Customs at St. Louis, Mo.; Isaac S. Warmouth, Postmaster at Phelps, Mo.; Geo. R. Buckner, Postmaster at St. Charles, Mo.

The Wreck of the Saginaw—Letter from her Pay-master.

The family of Pay-master GEORGE H. READ, of the lost United States steamer *Saginaw*, have received from him an interesting letter of which the following is a copy:

OCEAN ISLAND, Nov. 15, 1870.—You will, of course, be surprised to get a letter from this desert island, but it has now a population of ninety-three souls, the *Saginaw's* late crew. In short, we were wrecked here, and the *Saginaw* is no more. We left Midway Islands on the evening of Friday, Oct. 28, and the next morning found ourselves at 8½ A. M., thumping on the reef. We stood by the ship until daylight, when we got out four boats and provisions, all we could. I saved my safe and part of the ship's books, and about one-fourth of my clothes and my watch.

If you could see me now, you would hardly recognize me; a pair of boots almost large enough for two feet in one; ragged pants and an old felt hat; no coat—I keep that for evenings when it is cool. I have my best uniform saved: I put that on to come ashore with. We had to wade about 200 feet on the reef, and I stood in the water half the day, passing provisions to the boats. Then went ashore and got out bread from boxes and dried it. We have been living on very short allowance, and are thankful for a spoonful of mashed potatoes and a small piece of meat twice a day, with a cup of tea in the morning. I am thankful that we are all saved, and hope to see you all in three months. The rig has been decked over, and is to start for Honolulu tomorrow or next day for relief. Ocean Island is similar to Midway in construction, but larger, and the coral reef is much further from the land. We have for breakfast this morning some of the brown albatross or goonies, as we call them. We shall not want for meat, as there is an abundance of fish, seal and turtle, so that we have no fear of starving, although the flour, rice and bread will last for about two and a half months more.

I hope this will reach you before you get anxious about us, for if the rig is not successful, we expect to be here until the middle of March. I shall send this in her to be mailed from Honolulu. Our executive officer and four men go in her, and a perilous trip it will be, for she is only twenty-four feet long. The ship *Ocean* was wrecked here twenty-five or thirty years ago, and much old drift-wood is found on the beach. Most of our sails were saved, and we are all comfortable in good tents. I am very well, but hungry. We have dug wells, but found no fresh water. At present we have a good condenser from the boiler we had on board, belonging to the contractor. I am sure there never was a ship-wrecked crew having more conveniences than we have.

I should like to write to more of my friends, but space in the boat is scarce, and everybody is writing. Yours affectionately,

GEORGE H. READ,
Pay-master United States steamer *Saginaw*.

THE HOLLAND TESTIMONIAL.

Twelve Matinees for a Charity.

No one can now regret the form chosen for the opening performances in aid of the Holland Testimonial Fund. It was feared that the division of interest arising from giving a dozen different entertainments, in as many different places, would lessen the aggregate results. If all people who contributed might be enabled to see each other, as it were, in the act of doing so, it was thought the attendance would be more numerous. This has not proved, so far, to be the case. The public is more generous and self-abnegatory than it had credit for being. Some of the houses, yesterday afternoon, were very fine indeed, and all, numerically speaking, were respectable. The feeling shown by the audiences was universally quite delightful to see. Every allusion to the occasion of all these gatherings was received with the utmost enthusiasm. Whatever misgivings any of the Committee may have originally felt as regards the prudence of giving all these performances simultaneously, were certainly altogether dissipated by the event.

Where managers and artists all did their best it seems a little ungracious to particularize. We may, however, be excused for starting from the south, and saying that the assemblage at Niblo's was quite large, and that the programme was received with infinite pleasure. Miss PAULINE MARKHAM surprised, by a chaste and pretty performance of *Kate O'Brien*, in "Perfection," those who are accustomed to identify this lady only with burlesque. Miss MARKHAM plays comedy of this sort very nicely indeed, and we shall be glad to see her in other specimens of it. In the same piece, two strangers, Messrs. TRASDALE and DEWAR, were cordially welcomed. The gorgeous scenes of the "Black Crook" produced their usual dazzling effect, and the whole entertainment was most gratifying. "Wee Willie Winkie" was rapturously enjoyed at the Olympic, and so were the selections given at Miss LINA EDWIN'S. A capital assemblage was collected at Wallack's, where, in addition to the regular company, Mr. GEO. VANDENHOFF was heard in an original poem of decided merit. At the Fifth-avenue, a fine audience laughed through "Saratoga," and cheered with heartfelt sympathy when Mr. VANDENHOFF recited his poem. There was good attendance at the Circus, where Mr. CHAS. FISHER, an admirable rider, volunteered in addition to the regular company. At the Bowery, a surprisingly-good house was brought together, and, though last, not least, Mr. EDWIN BOOTH'S dashing performance of *Petruchio* attracted a crowd who filled the treasury to overflowing. Taken altogether, the receipts of the day will amount to many thousands of dollars—to be precise, we hope, not less than $6,000. We do not yet know what has been done out of town, but we do know that the returns from the Metropolitan theatres will exceed the calculations of the most experienced judges.

The festival of Saturday at the Academy of Music gives signs of being still more successful. A great many boxes and seats have been taken for both the matinée and evening performances, and public sympathy with the movement clearly increases as it proceeds. The bill on both occasions will be of extraordinary attraction. No such combination has ever been seen here. The army of volunteers has swelled to such dimensions that the chief difficulty is how, usefully, to avail of them. The Committee have done their best to display all this talent to the best advantage, and we trust that both patrons and artists will appreciate the difficulties of the situation, and make full allowance for any possible short-comings. We are confident that the public, both in and out of the City, will receive with high satisfaction the tidings that the Holland testimonial is already morally certain to net a larger sum than the Committee had hitherto ventured to hope for.

If what may be called the secret history of the Holland Testimonial could be written—and this is by no means improbable in the immediate future—some things would be made known which the public would be warmly interested to hear. The contributions made—in some instances with absolute secrecy on the part of the donors—the letters, written, and the action taken by the numerous persons directly and indirectly connected with this demonstration, would constitute a very interesting and instructive chapter. We are glad to say, meanwhile, that the chapter is not yet concluded. The proceedings yet to come will add, as we hope, not only a goodly number of dollars, but a great many interesting facts to the record. It is hardly an exaggeration to assert that, so far as it has proceeded, no event of this kind has ever worked more propitiously or reflected higher credit upon the dramatic profession. The lesson of the occasion assuredly will not be lost. We trust that the public will continue to come forward with undiminished liberality, so that this noble affair may be wound up in every respect as brilliantly as it has begun.

Notes of the Holland Testimonial.

Two gratifying incidents reach us of the Holland Testimonial of yesterday. In each case charitable persons brought sums of money to members of the Committee, and, refusing to give name or address, went away. The memory of actions like these should blossom sweetly forever to stimulate example and admiration.

Mr. FECHTER, who, by the way, has given away in Boston the entire proceeds of his late complimentary benefit there in charity, will certainly act for the Holland Testimonial. It is hoped that his efforts will add some thousands to the fund. Mr. FECHTER was seriously hurt by the accident in "Ruy Blas," on Saturday, but he nevertheless has telegraphed that he will surely appear.

There has been no instance in the annals of the stage where so large a number of professional persons have volunteered their services. It should be understood that the managers of the New-York theatres have sent checks to the Committee for the entire receipts taken at their doors yesterday, without deduction for any purpose whatever.

The Out-of-Town Contributions to the Fund—"The Little Church Around the Corner" Remembered.

BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 19.—The receipts of a matinée given this afternoon, at the Holiday-street Theatre, for the Holland Testimonial Fund, were $800, all of which will be forwarded to New-York, the manager, Mr. FORD, having personally assumed all incidental expenses. In addition to JOHN S. CLARKE and the regular dramatic company of the theatre, all principal artists of the Englsh Opera Company, except Mrs. CAROLINE RICHINGS BERNARD, who was absent, on account of the death of her father PETER RICHINGS, volunteered and appeared. The audience was large and fashionable.

VICKSBURG, Jan. 19.—The Opera-house gave a matinée this afternoon, in response to the call for the Holland testimonial. The gross receipts go to the "Little Church around the Corner."

Oriental Customs Illustrated—A Novel Entertainment.

A novel and interesting entertainment was given last evening in the chapel of the Holy Trinity Church, Madison-avenue and Forty-second-street, by Mr. GEORGE A. FORD, a missionary native of Syria, assisted by another native, and by several persons, (not natives,) attired for the occasion in Oriental costumes. The ladies and gentlemen of high rank, the scribes, the country swell, the Bedouin and other castes and classes of Syria and Palestine were represented. The customs of the people were illustrated in their social, religious and every day business life, and many references to those customs in the Bible were clearly explained. The Mohammedan call to prayer, which is made seven times a day during one half the year and five times a day during the other half, was also given, and a sample of their vocal and instrumental music and of the instruments upon which they play, were exhibited. Town and country life were sufficiently illustrated to exemplify the degraded condition of woman in the Orient, and though the entertainment was especially designed for the Sabbath-school children, who were largely represented, there was also a large number of adults present, and both old and young seemed to enjoy the affair very greatly.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Ours" at Wallack's Theatre.

One of the most charming and delicate of ROBERTSON'S plays, and one of the number most relished by the Wallack audience, was revived last night. "Ours" was welcomed with all the tenderness and effusion with which we greet an old friend, and, in its fresh and exquisite dress, with something of the interest produced by novelty as well. We have dwelt more than once before on the peculiar merits of this comedy, and, appreciated as they are by the public, special indication of them at this time seems uncalled for. Yet it is no good rule to neglect old friends because they are well known. Good wine may need no bush, but a good play justifies frank eulogy, and the especial care bestowed on it in a theatre like WALLACK'S calls for its proper meed of approbation. Let us therefore say, at all events, that the new scenes bestowed on "Ours," by Mr. WALLACK, are distinguished by the customary taste and elegance, and that one of the number rises above this standard. As regards the acting of "Ours," the cast, which in some respects has been varied from that originally given, was last night, as follows:

Hugh Chalcote, (as originally played by him,) Mr. Lester Wallack
Col. Sir Alexander Shendryn, Bart., of "Ours," (as originally played by him,) Mr. John Gilbert.
Sergt. Jones, of "Ours".....Mr. J. C. Williamson
Lieut. Angus McAllister, of "Ours," (as originally played by him,) Mr. B. T. Ringgold.
The Prince Perovsky, (as originally played by him,) Mr. C. Fisher.
Major Samprey, of "Ours," (as originally played by him,) Mr. W. J. Leonard.
Brabazon, a game-keeper.....Mr. Fenk
Benso.....Mr. W. Quigley
Mary Netley.....Miss Effie Germon
Lady Shendryn.....Miss E. Mestayer
Blanche Hays, an heiress.....Mrs. Thos. Barry
Ellen.....Miss Rowe

Mr. WALLACK plays *Hugh Chalcote* better than ever. His performance has all the point that formerly distinguished it and a great deal more of mellowness. No actor of our time could satisfy us as Mr. WALLACK does in the part. Mr. GILBERT is in all things the consummate artist. We like him better in genial and tender characters than in petulent or selfish ones, even while fully aware how admirable he is in certain choleric old men. The testiness of *Sir Alexander* is extremely natural, however, and the softer passages toward the close are excellent indeed. Mr. FISHER makes a fine study of the *Prince*, and fills out the picture like a capital comedian, as he is. Mr. RINGGOLD is easy and agreeable in *Angus*, and Mr. WILLIAMSON omits none of the quaint angularity that formerly made his sketch of the Sergeant so amusing. Mrs. BARRY replaces Miss MOORE in *Blanche*, and succeeds in reconciling the audience to the change, while Miss GERMON is as arch and malicious as of yore in *Mary Netley*. When we have named Miss MESTAYER'S judicious representation of *Lady Shendryn* all the characters have been comprised that call for special mention. As we have already hinted, some of the scenes are improvements on what they formerly were. Especially is the hut scene in the last act much better in realism of arrangement and picturesque effect than we have previously seen it. "Ours" is, no doubt, good for a run of some duration. It is certainly one of the most enjoyable plays ever put upon a stage whose celebrity in this wise has passed into a proverb.

Musical.

ORATORIO AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

"The Messiah" was sung at the Academy of Music, last evening, in the unusual presence of an audience that filled the house. As it has been proved, time and again, that the elements which make music of this order extremely impressive and proportionally attractive in England are still wanting here, we can fairly ascribe the numerical strength of the gathering to a general desire to welcome Miss KELLOGG on her return from a brilliant concert tour to the scene of her earliest triumphs. The reception was certainly most cordial, and the attention bestowed upon her performance was sufficiently close and sustained to fulfill the promise of the plaudits of greeting. If we except a share in the rendering of ROSSINI'S "Messe Solenelle," Miss KELLOGG has not hitherto been heard in oratorio in this City. Her gifts and her method, however, have been too frequently themes of compliment to permit a doubt to exist as to the merits of her recital of HANDEL'S production. But she will not give life to works needing orchestras and choruses of far different strength and skill to those summoned at an hour's notice. She sings "The Messiah" with the ease, the fluency and the purity distinguishing the results of all her vocal efforts, but these, unaided, will not endow the masterpiece with one tithe of its importance. Miss KELLOGG can even do better than she did last night, for she was not in very good voice, and was nervous, but at her best she has not the power of vitalising a composition written for a myriad of instruments and throats. The orchestra on the occasion we write of was thin, and its inefficiency was made conspicuous whenever the attack of each number broke the silence. The chorus of the New-York Mendelssohn Union is intelligent and well trained, but altogether too small for the gigantic task imposed upon it in a large building. Without further reflections, then, it may be said that while "The Messiah" was rendered with correctness and smoothness, it did not produce any grander effect, either in any one passage, or as a whole, than has been wrought a dozen times before. Miss KELLOGG won unanimous commendation for her expressive and chaste reading of "I know that my Redeemer liveth," in anticipation of which the audience remained with unbroken ranks until quite a late hour. The other artists were Mrs. JENNY KEMPTON, whose voice is perceptibly worn, and Messrs. SIMPSON and WHITNEY, two gentlemen of culture, whose co-operation in similar solemn entertainments is cause of congratulation for the admirers, few but fervent, of local attempts to make known the beauties of oratorio.

ALUMNI REUNION.

Dinner of Bowdoin College Graduates—A Pleasant Social Gathering.

A reunion of the Alumni of Bowdoin College, residing in this City and vicinity, was held at Delmonico's, in Fourteenth-street, last evening. The company was composed of about 150 gentlemen, who spent several hours in a happy, social manner, enjoying a good *menu*, flavored by pleasant and appropriate addresses and reminiscences of their old Alma Mater. Mr. DEXTER A. HAWKINS presided. The oldest graduate present was NEHEMIAH CLEAVELAND, S. H. S., of Westport, Conn., who represented the Class of 1813. There were also present Daniel R. Goodwin, S. T. D., of Philadelphia; Rev. Geo. L. Prentiss, LL.D., Prof. Francis W. Upham, Wm. H. Allen, LL. D., of Philadelphia; Rev. Dr. Henry B. Smith, Henry H. Boody, S. P. Dinsmore, Rev. Dr. John Cotton Smith, Wm. A. Abbott, Col. Granville P. Hawes, Charlton T. Lewis, Geo. P. Putnam and others. After the removal of the cloth Mr. HAWKINS made a few remarks, in which he mentioned the names of ten eminent in various professions as being graduates of Bowdoin College. LONGFELLOW, the poet, was a student and a Professor of Languages at the College; so was the late Prof. PARKER CLEAVELAND, the father of the science of Mineralogy and Geology in America. Nathaniel Hawthorne, the novelist and dreamer; Prof. Wm. Smyth, President Franklin Pierce, Gov. Chamberlain, the Abbotts and Washburnes, Gov. Grover, of Oregon, Gen. O. O. Howard, the late Gov. John A. Andrew and others were spoken of as having belonged to the alumni and faculty of the College. The first regular toast was "Our Alma Mater, the nursery of Men," and was responded to by Mr. NEHEMIAH CLEAVELAND. He gave an interesting account of the early history of the College, from the time of its incipiency in 1794 until it became permanently established at Brunswick, Me. Dr. Prentiss, Prof. D. R. Goodwin, Prof. R. D. Hitchcock, Wm. H. Allen, President of Girard College, Granville P. Hawes, Esq., Francis W. Upham, Almon Goodwin, Dr. John C. Smith, Prof. Henry B. Smith, Dr. Theodore B. Bradford, H. B. Perkins, and others also responded to appropriate toasts. Letters were read from Hon. HANNIBAL HAMLIN, the present President of Bowdoin College, regretting their absence.

THE LANAHAN DILEMMA.

The Question of How Not to Try Him Still Under Discussion—A Shrewd Scheme and What May Come of It—Probable Reference of the Matter to a Sub-Committee.

There never was a busier day at the Methodist Book Concern than yesterday, and never within the experience of the "Book Committee" were there four-and-twenty hours of deeper trial. The great question of the day was "How not to do it?" and at the hour of adjournment, last evening, the end had not yet fully come, and the problem still remained unsolved. The prolongation of the secret meetings, dragging through the better portion of three days, had, of course, aroused public curiosity to its highest pitch, and when the time of meeting arrived scores of inquisitive ministers and laymen had to be driven from the rooms, in order that the Committee might proceed with its work. All of the Bishops, every Committeeman, the counsel on both sides, the agents, and even the dissatisfied reporters who sat in the lobby, were buttonholed, whenever they could be reached by anxious ones, who only wanted to know "what the end would be." If they read this story they will probably find a reliable answer to their queries.

The discussion of the previous days was renewed as soon as the morning session opened, but it was soon to be seen that no change had, meanwhile, occurred in the situation. The Bishops, to a man, stood immovably opposed to proceeding with the examination of charges affecting Dr. LANAHAN'S moral character, but insisted that the investigation on other points should go on to a conclusion. With this view of the case several of the members of the Committee coincided, but others differed, and both being obstinate, it was impossible to reach a decision. The main point in view seemed to be to get rid of Dr. LANAHAN, and at the same time to shut off further disagreeable revelations, if any were to be made. To effect this object every expedient was proposed, but none had been approved by vote up to the hour of adjournment. Counsel for the prosecution was in constant communication with the Committee, however, and at the close of the day it seemed probable that a plan had been reached which, if carried out, would draw a curtain over further proceedings and virtually defeat the accused in his efforts for reinstatement. The new plan is an exceedingly ingenious one, being, as some tell us, simply this: To appoint a sub-committee, who shall privately carry on the investigation and report its verdict to the General Conference of 1872, thus shutting out the public and virtually dismissing Dr. LANAHAN by perpetuating his suspension until that time. Another version of the plan is that the sub-committee is to inquire only into matters financial, while the questions of morals are to be referred to the General Conference. In this case the result, as far as the accused is concerned, will not be far different from the other. He cannot be reinstated until after the verdict, and must, therefore, suffer himself to be kicked out of doors in either case. To this he will probably not consent, although neither he nor his counsel appear to have been consulted about it, as far as could be learned.

The vote of this morning will probably decide the question, and the result will be looked for with great interest. It is said that the vote is a tie, and that the Chair will cast the decisive ballot. Before the Committee adjourns, the reporters are all to be called up and closely questioned as to the sources of information published by them, concerning matters discussed behind closed doors. The TIMES reporter is to be especially "pumped," and all that he says will be put down on two lines of narrow paper. The examination will be exceedingly dry in its results.

Those who are opposed to this sub-committee trial of Dr. LANAHAN, urge the following plainly-spoken provision of "The Discipline" as forbidding unnecessary delay, or the delegation of full-committee powers to a sub-committee:

"The Committee shall have power to suspend an editor or agent from his official relations, if they judge it necessary for the interests of the Church and of the Book Concern. And a time shall be fixed, *at as early a day as practicable*, for the investigation of the official conduct of said editor or agent, at which two or *more Bishops shall be requested to attend, and by the concurrence of the Bishops present, and of a majority of the Committee*, he may be removed from office in the interval of the General Conference."

We shall see what we shall see at about 10 o'clock this morning.

DEITY AND THE CONSTITUTION.

Curious Proceedings in the Philadelphia Convention.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 19.—The National Convention, having for its object the recognition of the Almighty through some Constitutional amendment, reassembled, this morning, in Concert Hall.

At 10 o'clock JOHN ALEXANDER, President *pro tem*, called the body to order, when the proceedings were opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. COOK, of Philadelphia.

Rev. Dr. HODGKIN, of Pennsylvania, moved that a committee be named to procure a paper, to be edited by some of the first minds of the country, to explain the doctrines of the Society, and that said committee report at the next meeting.

Judge HAMILTON, of Pennsylvania, in a short speech stated that the movement was certain of success, for no man in Congress would dare vote against it, because he knows that should he do so he would never go back.

Rev. Dr. NEVINS, of Philadelphia, was of the opinion that the Convention did not understand its own business, and knew not what it intended to accomplish. He understood this movement to mean that this nation should be made a religious but not sectarian one. After a few more remarks, Dr. NEVINS was called to order by Dr. EDWARDS, of Baltimore, who insisted that Dr. NEVINS was not speaking to the point.

Dr. NEVINS—"If you call me down you'll succeed." He then left the platform.

A number of amendments were offered, but Dr. HODGKIN insisted upon the vote being taken upon his original motion.

Dr. EDWARDS moved that the matter be referred to the Executive Committee of the National Association. At the request of Mr. HODGKIN the motion was withdrawn.

The Convention insisted upon a vote being taken on it, and the motion was agreed to.

Rev. Dr. J. H. MCILVAIN, of Philadelphia, offered the following as a substitute for the resolutions presented yesterday, to be used in place of the present preamble to the Constitution of the United States:

"We, the people of the United States, acknowledging Almighty God as the ultimate source of all authority and power in civil government, and the moral laws of the Christian religion as of paramount authority, in order to secure a more perfect union," &c.

Dr. EDWARDS insisted that such a recognition should be made in the preamble, that all such clauses in the body of the Constitution as needed it should be modified so as to correspond with the same, and that the Sabbath day be recognized legally and constitutionally. But in addition to this he desired that every article of the call issued for the convention should be sustained, and insisted upon a thorough discussion of the same.

At this point Dr. MCILVAIN left the Convention.

Mr. KENNEDY considered Dr. MCILVAIN'S motion out of order, and insisted upon the discussion of the resolution.

A vote being taken, it was decided not to entertain Dr. MCILVAIN'S motion.

On motion, the vote was reconsidered, and Dr. MCILVAIN'S motion was entertained.

Several gentlemen here insisted upon speaking, when finally Dr. NEVIN succeeded in compelling the Convention to hear him, and went on to sustain Dr. MCILVAIN'S motion, when he was called to order by Mr. KENNEDY, who insisted that the matter was not debatable. Dr. NEVIN retained, but was interrupted in deciding the same by cries of "MCALLISTER, MCALLISTER!"

Dr. NEVINS finally gained a hearing, and in an eloquent speech sustained Dr. MCILVAIN.

Mr. MCALLISTER followed, opposing Dr. MCILVAIN'S sanctitude, after which the Convention adjourned, to meet again at 3 P. M.

ANOTHER DISPATCH.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 19.—The National Reform Convention that have been discussing the question of adding an amendment to the National Constitution recognizing Jesus Christ as the Ruler of Nations, adjourned to-night. Rev. Dr. MCILVAIN introduced a resolution asking the insertion of the word God instead of Jesus Christ. The motion was lost and the Doctor hissed. A committee was appointed to proceed to Washington and press the adoption of the amendment.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES.

THE NEW-YORK SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES, published THIS MORNING, contains the very latest telegraphic and general news; editorials on matters of current interest; a page of carefully-prepared commercial matter, giving the latest financial news and market reports; items of agricultural and domestic interest, and marriages and deaths of the week and other interesting reading matter.

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A new and popular series of original articles has lately been commenced, under the title of

"ISAAC IDLER'S RAMBLES."

The first consisted of a sketch of the people who travel by the night-cars of New-York City, and the second described many well-known characters or scenes which may be met with in the streets at night. The third, to be published next Sunday, the 22d inst., will contain a vivid picture of a REMARKABLE VISIT TO THE CHINESE, ITALIAN, AND NEGRO QUARTERS OF THE CITY. These articles cannot fail to prove of interest to the general reader.

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BOYD—WOODWORTH.—On Wednesday, Jan. 18, 1871, at St. Mark's Church, by Rev. Dr. PEARS, JAMES M. BOYD to LIZZIE M. WOODWORTH, all of this City.

EDDY—SEYMOUR.—At Trinity Chapel, J

NEW-ORLEANS.

A Sorry Picture—Depression of Trade—Crime Running Riot—Celebration of "Twelfth-Night Revelers"—A Queer Procession.

From Our Own Correspondent.

NEW-ORLEANS, Saturday, Jan. 7, 1871.

The Holidays are over, but the people here have not enjoyed them with the same zest as formerly. The entire business community are becoming sorely tried under the loss of trade and the heavy taxes. The effects of the late war, and the perverse obstinacy of the "*ancien régime*" in not accepting the situation, are causing prostration, and if persisted in will produce ruin and bankruptcy. Real estate has depreciated at least fifty per cent., and can be bought at fabulously low prices. The *Picayune* of the 4 inst. says if the city does not succeed in the suits now pending in the Courts against it, there is no other recourse but bankruptcy. An old merchant, of many years' standing, a day or two since said, "If we do not get some help very soon, this city is doomed; what we want is more enterprise, capital and railroads. Without these there is very little hope for New-Orleans." It is almost chaos come again, as the record of crime and disaster for the past two days has been fearful. Steam-boats and houses are being consumed, robberies and murders are being committed, and nobody can be found who can be proved guilty of any of these crimes. It does seem that the Almighty is pouring out His vials of wrath upon the people here. On Sunday five large steam-boats, the *Magenta*, *Grand Era*, *Julia A. Rudolph*, *Thompson Dean* and *John Howard*, involving losses to nearly a million dollars, were burned to the water's edge. On Saturday night the jewelry-store of one M. SCOOLER, on the corner of Camp and Canal streets, was entered by burglars, a large safe blown open and robbed of nearly $100,000 worth of diamonds, rings and watches. Four murders were committed within the holiday week, and only one man has been committed upon the charge of murder in one of the cases. What with lotteries, gambling-hells, houses of prostitution, gilded whisky saloons, the desecration of the Sabbath, the utter disregard of all decency and morality, and the demoralization of Courts, can it be otherwise than that crime should run riot?

A QUEER PROCESSION.

Last night there was a grand parade of the "Twelfth Night Revelers," in all their *en masque* splendor. They marched through Canal, Camp, Poydras and St. Charles street, to the great delight of the multitudes of men, women and children who filled the streets and sidewalks along which the procession passed. It seemed as if the whole realm of the ludicrous, as well as ridiculous, was fully represented. The whole purpose of the display was designated upon an immense banner which preceded the procession, and that was, "Mother Goose's Tea Party." Every legend of this celebrated character became a present reality. There were the lion and unicorn, looking as if they stepped out of the British arms for this occasion. Old King Cole and his fiddlers three mounted upon an immense car, the fiddlers playing a merry tune. The "old woman who lived in a in a shoe, with her multitude of children, shoe and all, were trundled along to the intense delight of all observers. Beauty and the Beast were also present, Cock Robin, Jenny Wren, Parson Rook, owls, bottle imps, bulls, bears, the cow that jumped over the moon, the dish, spoon and dog that laughed to see the sport, little Jack Horner with his Christmas pie, and the whole brood of Mother Gosses following, were out in full feather. It was a fine display and very creditable to the Lord of Misrule, who commanded the cortége. I may add that Santa Claus was also present with his children's presents, which he distributed along the line to the hosts of children which surrounded and followed his car.

KIDNAPPING.

The Higby child kidnapping case which created so much excitement here a few months ago, has resulted in an acquittal of the two colored women who were charged with the offense. This result adds another case to the long catalogue of those wherein justice has been debauched by the corrupting influence of money.

THE SOLAR ECLIPSE.

Particulars of the Late Occultation from Observers in Spain.

The Gibraltar *Chronicle* of the 26th of December, publishes the following account of the eclipse so far as the cloudy state of the atmosphere allowed any observations to be taken:

"Mr. RICHARD ARBATT, F.R.A.S., who stayed at Gibraltar, has kindly sent us the following information as to the result of his observations and the views which he had, lasting about two seconds, of the total phase of the eclipse:

'The weather during the day was very unfavorable; heavy clouds driving from the west obscured the sun almost continually, so that I had seldom to use a colored glass. The following notes were made before the eclipse ended. I obtained my first view, when the sun was nearly half obscured, at 11:17 A. M. Gibraltar time, and I seldom left my eye from the telescope, except to make a rough sketch of the eclipse, every five or eight minutes, as the clouds permitted, to the end. The last streak of the sun vanished and I saw nothing; in about a second, as if instantaneous, the corona and the red prominences were in view. I was remarkably struck with height and magnitude of the red flame-like appearance which extended so far, or, I think further, from the limb than the corona, unless it shaded off. The bright part of the corona was narrow and next to the moon, but the corona was not of equal width all round. The moon, to my eye, appeared globular, in no part did the corona or the prominences extend beyond one-eighth, or at most one-sixth of the moon's radius beyond the limb. I thought the moon darker than the sky. I noticed four high red prominences—there were more, but when, for an instant, I took my eye off the telescope, a dense black cloud had obscured everything till the narrowest streak of the sun appeared on the western side, and nothing but the ordinary phenomena of a partial eclipse was to be seen. The darkness during totality was not so great as I expected; it would be. Two stars were seen, one near the sun and the other overhead, but I can get no further information as to their exact position.'

Another correspondent, Observer, who watched the eclipse from the New Mole Parade, says that to him and several other observers,—

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OBITUARY.

Gen. E. V. R. Wright,

Gen. E. V. R. WRIGHT, one of the most prominent citizens of New-Jersey, died at his residence, the Forest House, on Montgomery-street, Jersey City, about 8 o'clock yesterday morning. He had been suffering for fifteen months with the dropsy, and his decease was not unexpected.

Gen. WRIGHT was fifty-seven years of age, and had been for a number of years one of the most influential members of the Democratic Party in the State. He was born in Hoboken, and first took an active interest in politics in 1844, when he was elected the first State Senator from Hudson County, then newly formed. In 1846 he was re-elected. In 1859 he was the Democratic candidate for Governor of the State, but was defeated by Gov. OLDEN. In 1862 he was elected to Congress from the Fifth District, serving for one term only. He also served for five years as Prosecutor of the Pleas. Gen. WRIGHT was one of the best-known men in the State, and his long illness has been sensibly felt by the party of which he was a leading member.

Wm. E. Lawrence.

Yesterday morning, WM. E. LAWRENCE, the President of the National Tobacco Association, died at his late residence, Bayside, after a short illness of a few days. Mr. LAWRENCE has been a merchant in New-York for thirty years, and is very extensively known through the entire country. He leaves a large circle of acquaintances to mourn his loss. The funeral will take place at Bayside on Saturday.

The Late Sir Henry Durand, Lieutenant-Governor of Punjaub.

From the London Daily News.

By the death of Sir HENRY DURAND India has lost one of her ablest men. Sir HENRY was educated at Addiscombe, and was formerly a Major-General in the Bengal Engineers. He fought in the Affghanistan, Gwalior, Punjaub and mutiny campaigns. He was subsequently appointed Secretary of the Foreign Department to the Government of India, and afterward fifth ordinary member of the Council of the Governor-General. For his distinguished services in the field and in council he was made first a C. B., and then a K. C. S. I. Last year, when Sir DONALD MACLEOD retired on completing his term of office, Sir HENRY was appointed Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjaub. Being a man of great energy, he resolved to make himself thoroughly acquainted with the vast province he had been called upon to rule, and about six weeks ago he commenced a long extended tour, beginning at the most northern point of our Indian Empire, Peshawur, and intending to march down the frontier to Kurrachee. He was accompanied by Mr. THURTON, Secretary to the Government, and by the leading officials. Letters received in England by the last mail spoke of the satisfactory nature of the expedition so far. His sudden death by an elephant on New-Year's Day will be greatly regretted in both India and this country. It will necessarily put an end to the expedition, from which important political results might have followed. Sir HENRY was born in 1812, and married, for the second time, the widow of Mr. POLEHAMPTON, the well-known chaplain at Lucknow during the mutiny. By the death of Sir HENRY DURAND, the Lieutenant-Governorship of the Punjaub becomes vacant, almost simultaneously with those of Bengal and Madras. The former has fallen vacant through the resignation, after a very brief tenure, of Sir WM. GREY, who is understood to have not been in perfect accord with the Viceroy, Lord MAYO. Madras becomes vacant in a few weeks, when Lord NAPIER's five years' term of office expires. Mr. GEORGE CAMPBELL has been appointed to Bengal. No successor to Lord NAPIER has yet been announced.

Criminal Cases in the Court of General Sessions—Surprising Action of the Jury in Two Robbery Cases.

At the Court of General Sessions, before Judge BEDFORD, yesterday, JOHN O'BRIEN was arraigned on an indictment for larceny. It appears that there were six charges against the accused, in which he was charged with purloining packages and articles from messenger boys who were sent to deliver them to purchasers. He was in the habit of meeting the boys while they were in the act of delivering the goods, and getting possession of them by claiming to be the person for whom they were intended. He pleaded guilty to one charge of stealing a silk dress worth $150, the property of ALESIA DEGAR. He was remanded for sentence. JAMES HALEY was convicted by plea of stealing a watch and chain from MICHAEL GALLAGHER, of No. 15 Jacob-street, and was remanded until today for sentence. JOHN MCGUIRE was tried on a charge of assaulting FRANK REINHARD in front of his residence, at No. 228 Chrystie street, and of robbing him of a watch, and MICHAEL CHAMBERS was tried on a charge of attacking MICHAEL FLANAGAN, of No. 27 Vestry-street, with a flame-like appearance which extended so far, or, I think further, from the limb than the corona, unless it shaded off. The bright part of the corona was narrow and next to the moon, but the corona was not of equal width all round. The moon, to my eye, appeared globular, in no part did the corona or the prominences extend beyond one-eighth, or at most one-sixth of the moon's radius beyond the limb. I thought the moon darker than the sky. I noticed four high red prominences—there were more, but when, for an instant, I took my eye off the telescope, a dense black cloud had obscured everything till the narrowest streak of the sun appeared on the western side, and nothing but the ordinary phenomena of a partial eclipse was to be seen. The darkness during totality was not so great as I expected; it would be. Two stars were seen, one near the sun and the other overhead, but I can get no further information as to their exact position.'

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BUILDINGS NEW AND OLD.

Proposed New Buildings.

The following is a list of new buildings proposed for erection in this City since the last report, and for the week ending Thursday, Jan. 19, 1871:

BROWN-STONE FRONTS.

Twelve first-class dwellings, north side of Fifty-sixth-street, 365 feet west of Fifth-avenue, four stories and basement, 25 by 63; DAVID ROBBINS, owner.

IRON FRONTS.

One first-class store, No. 104 Worth-street, five stories, 25 by 60; R. A. WITHAUS, owner.

BRICK FRONTS.

One second-class dwelling, south-east corner of Ninth-avenue and Forty-ninth-street, three stories, 25 by 32; H. W. SCHMIDT, owner.

One second-class dwelling, south side of One Hundred and Seventeenth-street, 50 feet east of Third-avenue, four stories, 20 by 48; JAMES WOOD, owner.

Three tenement-houses, north side of Fifty-fourth-street, 150 feet east of Second-avenue, four stories, 25 by 53; HENRY J. BURCHELL, owner.

One tenement-house, south side of Forty-first-street, 275 feet west of Eighth-avenue, five stories, 25 by 54.2; HERMAN ZLG, owner.

One tenement-house, No. 122 West Twentieth-street, five stories and basement, 22 by 53; HENRY KLENKE, owner.

Five stores and tenements, south-west corner of Eleventh-avenue and Fifty-fifth-street, four stories, 20 by 56; HENRY J. BURCHELL, owner.

Four stores and tenements, west side of Tenth-avenue, 25.9 feet north of Fiftieth-street, four stories, 24.10 by 60; CHARLES BARTHOLOMAE, owner.

Two stores and tenements, west side of Ludlow-street, 200 feet south of Houston-street, five stories, 25 by 63; GEO. HERDTFELDER, owner.

One store and tenement, No. 161 Delancey-street, five stories, 25 by 70; ADAM STUMM, owner.

One store and tenement, No. 778 Ninth-avenue, corner Fifty-second-street, four stories, 25 by 65; JOHN MESSER, owner.

One first class store, No. 366 Broad way, (rear,) five stories, 25 by 52.1; JOHN MCKESSON, owner.

One first-class store, No. 146 Reade-street, four stories, 25 by 60; GEORGE R. CHASE, owner.

One second-class store, No. 218 East Ninth-street, four stories, 21 by 50; M. HALLIDAY, owner.

One stable south side of Thirty-third-street, 250 feet west of Sixth-avenue, two stories, 21 by 68; WILLIAM ARRAS, owner.

One stable south side of Thirty-third-street, 271 feet west of Sixth-avenue, two stories, 21 by 73; VALENTINE SCHAEFFER, owner.

One stable, No. 7 Vandewater-street, three stories, 26 by 83; MAX KOENIG, owner.

FRAME BUILDINGS.

One second-class dwelling north side of Seventy-first-street, 75 feet west of Avenue A, two stories, 25 by 30; PATRICK WELSH, owner.

One office east side of Third-avenue, 30 feet north of Seventy-ninth-street, two stories, 30 by 30; JAMES HAM, owner.

RECAPITULATION.

Total No. buildings.....	21	Tenement-houses.....	5
Brown-stone fronts.....	3	Stores and tenements..	13
Iron fronts.....	1	First-class stores.....	1
Brick fronts.....	26	Second-class stores....	1
Frame buildings.....	2	Stables.....	3
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Alterations in Buildings.

For the week ending Thursday, Jan. 19, 1871, the following are the only plans of importance for alterations in buildings submitted at the Department in this City. No alterations are reported where the expense incurred does not exceed the sum of $1,000:

One brick hotel, south side Washington-place, west of Broadway, four stories, 100 by 50, two additional stories with Mansard roof to be added, 20 feet in height; owner, A. C. KINGSLAND.

One brick tenement-house, Nos. 86 and 88 Pitt-street, rear, four stories, 39.6 by 30, twelve-inch brick division wall to be constructed; MATTHEW MAHLER, owner.

One brick store, No. 18 Lispenard-street; three stories, 25 by 42, first story front to be taken out and divided into stores; M. A. MANLEY, owner.

One brick factory, No. 497 West Fifty-fourth-street, three stories, 90 by 25, building damaged by fire to be rebuilt; JOHN LOREE, owner.

One brick store, No. 542 Madison-street, five stories, 25.10 by 75; stairs in building to be changed, and new front put in; PARTINGTON BROTHERS, owners.

One brick factory, north-east corner Avenues E. D. and Tenth-street, 80 by 71.3; building damaged by fire; to be reconstructed; DAVID MCALPIN, owner.

One frame store and dwelling, No. 1,462 Third-avenue, 25 by 45, three and one-half stories; frame front to be replaced with brick; J. C. WILSON, owner.

Unsafe Buildings.

Since the last report, and for the week ending Thursday, Jan. 19, 1871, the following buildings in this City have been reported as unsafe, in the particulars annexed, at the office of JAMES M. MACGREGOR, Superintendent of the Department of Buildings:

Lispenard-street, No. 19, A. JOURNEAY, owner; unsafe rear wall on a foundation.

Lispenard-street, No. 23, MITCHELL HART, owner; unsafe front wall, lintel and gutter.

Broad-street, No. 129, P. J. NEWINS & SONS, owners; unsafe third story floor beams.

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Duane-street, No. 194, H. H. MURSELL, owner; unsafe first story girder—deflected.

Greenwich-street, No. 26, EDWARD BURKE, agent; unsafe front and north gable walls.

Baxter-street, (rear,) Nos. 39 and 39½, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe and rotten posts and studding, and bulged walls.

Baxter-street, No. 39, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe and rotten posts and foundation.

Baxter-street, (rear,) No. 37½, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe front foundation and walls.

Baxter-street, No. 37½, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe generally, building sunken, frame foundation rotten.

Baxter-street, (rear,) No. 37, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe front foundation and bulged wall.

Baxter-street, No. 37, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe foundation, building sunken.

Baxter-street, No. 35½, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe building, and spiles rotten and canted over.

Baxter-street, (rear,) No. 35½, PETER LYNCH, owner; dangerous and unsafe walls and outside stairway.

Baxter-street, Nos. 33 and 35, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe front walls, bulged and overhanging, and stairway dangerous.

Baxter-street, No. 33, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe generally, dilapidated and rotten.

Baxter-street, No. 33, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe generally, shoring rotten, stairway canted over.

Baxter-street, No. 30½, PETER LYNCH, owner; unsafe, studding of first story rotten and broken.

Baxter-street, No. 29½, JOHN H. WILLIAMS, owner; unsafe generally, settled and rotten frame foundation.

Baxter-street, No. 29, JOHN H. WILLIAMS, owner; unsafe generally, rotten and toppling, studding dangerous.

Baxter-street, No. 27, JOHN H. WILLIAMS, owner; unsafe generally, shored up with rotten shoring.

Third-avenue, No. 740, ABRAHAM KIND, owner; iron columns of front wall out of plumb.

Orchard-street, No. 126, CHARLES J. FOLSOM, owner; unsafe front, north, east and south walls.

Sixth-avenue, No. 31, HENRY WILSON, owner; unsafe chimneys, bulged and broken.

Third-street, No. 19, W. and E. A. CRUIKSHANK, owners; unsafe chimneys, bulged and failing.

Mulberry-street, No. 65, Dr. WILLIAM T. NEALIS, owner; unsafe chimneys, bulged and falling.

South-avenue, No. 362, Rev. J. S. HENAUSON, owner; unsafe party walls and stone columns of front.

Tenth-avenue, No. 360, Dr. E. E. MARCY, owner; unsafe party walls and stone columns of front.

Tenth-avenue, No. 358, PATRICK PHELAN, owner; unsafe party walls and stone columns of front.

Tenth-avenue, No. 356, ROBERT GREACAN, owner; unsafe independent and party walls, and stone columns of front.

Tenth-avenue, No. 354, JOHN DESKEN, owner; unsafe party walls and stone columns of front.

Baxter-street, (rear,) No. 45, HENRY MCCLOSKY, agent; generally unsafe, rotten foundations.

Baxter-street, (rear,) Nos. 47 and 49, Mrs. H. MCBRIDE, owner; unsafe walls, bulged.

Baxter-street, No. 51, JOHN MILLS, agent; unsafe front and rear walls and foundation.

Baxter-street, No. 57, PETER J. RYAN, agent; unsafe basement floor beams and arch over fireplace.

Baxter-street, No. 59, PETER J. RYAN, agent; unsafe generally; beams and foundation rotten.

Thames-street, Nos. 16 and 18, Trinity Church Vestry, owner; unsafe chimneys.

Cherry-street, No. 183, ANNA SANDS, owner; unsafe arches, front wall and chimneys.

East Broadway, No. 196, DAVID BRYAN, owner; unsafe front wall and lintels.

Bowery, No. 360, GEO. R. DEFENDORF, owner; unsafe chimneys.

Mulberry-street, No. 55½, OWEN GRAY, agent; unsafe chimneys.

Thames-street, No. 20, Trinity Church Vestry, owner; unsafe front arch over doorway.

Baxter-street, (rear,) No. 59, PETER J. RYAN, agent; unsafe generally; beams and foundation rotten.

Thames-street, No. 17, W. & E. A. CRUIKSHANK, owners; unsafe rear wall and brick arches.

South-street, No. 19, Whitney Estate, owner; dangerous and unsafe floor beams.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The attendance at the Exchange yesterday (Jan. 19) was fair, although the business noticed for the day was not of an extensive character. The only sales effected were made by JAMES M. MILLER, and the following is a detailed report of the proceedings: By order of the Court of Common Pleas in foreclosure under the direction of THOS. H. LANDON, Esq., referee, Mr. MILLER disposed of an unfinished brown-stone house and lot, located on the south side of Seventieth-street, 195 feet west of Third-avenue. The lot is a full sized one, 25x100.5, and there was due upon the mortgage foreclosed the sum of $9,041 90. The property, including the mortgage amount, was sold to Mr. B. LEHMAIRE for $11,941 90. The cost of completing the house, it is estimated, will be about $4,000. The same auctioneer by order of the same Court, and under the direction of the same referee, next disposed of three unimproved lots, adjoining the above property, 220 feet west of Third-avenue, at the rate of $6,845 35 per lot, JAMES KELLY being the purchaser. The lots were first offered singly, but being covered as an entirety, by a mortgage amounting to $9,136 07, no one bidding that sum for a single lot, they were finally offered together, and brought the price above stated. No other sales were made.

A. J. BLEECKER, SON & Co. offered, as advertised, a valuable piece of Brooklyn property, located on the north side of Front-street, between Dock and Garrison streets, three Philadelphia brick front houses and lots, Nos. 31, 33 and 35 Front-street, and three three-story brick houses, with a two-story frame house in the rear, connected by an alley way, were comprised in the schedule of sale. The property belongs to STEPHEN CAMBRELING, Esq., and it was offered as a whole in one parcel. The auctioneer strongly urged before the projected sale that the lots should be sold separately, but he was overruled by the owner, and as a result no real transfer was effected, although the premises were nominally struck off for $40,000. The estimated value placed upon the property is $45,000.

The business of the day was concluded by an adjournment until Feb. 1, announced by ROBERTS & MCGUIRE, of the sale of a tenement-house and lot situated on north side of Thirty-fifth-street, 149 feet 4 inches west of First-avenue. During the day, at the Exchange, the result of Wednesday's transactions was actively canvassed, and opinions freely expressed, as to its effect upon the market. That it was a great success all acknowledged, and one which could hardly fail to give a favorable turn to real estate affairs. For the remainder of the week but little additional business will be transacted, but for next week some important sales are already announced, to which reference will be made in due season.

Exchange Sales, Thursday, Jan. 19.

NEW-YORK.

By James M. Miller.

Unfinished 3-story and basement brown-stone house and lot, s. s. of 70th-st., 195 ft. w. of 3d-av.; house 25x53, lot 25x100.5..... $11,941

3 lots s. s. 70th-st., 220 ft. w. of 3d-av., each 25x100.5, $6,845 35 each..... 19,936

Transfers of Real Estate.

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Dean-st., n. s., 225 ft. w. of Franklin-av..... $1,500
Douglass-st., n. s., 155 ft. w. of Bond-st., 20x80... 3,000
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Johnson-st., s. s., 175 ft. e. of Graham-av., 24x100.. 7,200
Rose-st., n. s., 430 ft. e. of Lee-av., 20x65.5..... 4,000
Skillman-st., w. s., 175 ft. s. of Tillary-st., 25x100. 2,900
Van Brunt-st., s. e. s., 100 ft. n. e. of Van Dyk-st., 20x90..... 800
Webster-place, w. s., 156 ft. w. of Middle-st., 18.1 x36..... 2,400
9th-st., n. s., 119 ft. e. of 4th-av., 19.4x120..... 6,500
13th-st., s. s., 122 ft. w. of 5th-av., 100x100..... 4,000
21st-st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of 5th-av., 125x100..... 4,000
Dekalb-av., n. s., 150 ft. W. of Reid-av., 22x75.... 2,000
Flushing-av., s. s., 94 ft. e. of Canton-st., 18x80... 4,000
Gates-av., s. s., 341 ft. w. of Nostrand-av., 19x100. 7,250
East New-York and Atlantic-av., e. corner, 232.7 x153x238..... 25,000

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

East Chester.

2d-st., e. s., lot No. 1,072, Wakefield's, 103x114.... $250

Greenburg.

William I. Walton's property, gore lot..... $600

Lewisboro.

E. L. Fancher's property, 20 acres..... $1,300

New-Rochelle.

Lots Nos. 9 and 10, in section No. 8, map of Huguenot Park..... $1,674

Poundridge.

Amandu Smith's property, 16 acres..... $2,500
George A. Todd's property, 21 acres..... 2,000

NEW-JERSEY.

Newark.

Littleton-av., w. s., 800 ft. n. of Cabinet-st., 100x 100..... $2,400
Orange-st., n. s., adjoining Burnett's, 45x149.5.. 11,000
Ridge-st. and 8th-av., s. e. corner, 800x200..... 60,000
Mulberry-st., w. s., 35 ft. s. of Commerce-st., 25.5 x80..... 9,750
Springfield-av., s. s., 455 ft. e. of Faber's, 25x120 250
Newark-st., e. s., 160 ft. s. of Sussex-av., 18x141.4 1,475

West Orange.

Williams-st., s. s., adjoining G. Smith's, 53x100.. 1,350

Jersey City.

Cliff-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Germania-av., 25x100.... $700
Union and Jackson avs., s. w. corner, 50x100..... 3,000
Maple and Halliday sts., n. e. corner, 25x100..... 6,000
Whiton-st., 67.6 ft. n. of Maple-st., 16.8x90..... 4,000

Hoboken.

Jefferson-st., e. s., lot No. 12, block No. 143, Coster's, 25x100..... $1,300

Bayonne.

32d-st., adjoining Jasper Cadmus', 176x333..... $12,000

Union.

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CITY OF LONDON.....Saturday, Jan. 28, 11 A. M.
CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, Feb. 4, 2 P. M.

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MINNESOTA, Capt. T. W. FREEMAN, Feb. 1, at 2½ P. M.
IDAHO, Capt. PRICE.....Feb. 8, at 8 A. M.
NEVADA, Capt. GREEN.....Feb. 15, at 2½ P. M.
WISCONSIN, Capt. WILLIAMS...Feb. 22, at 3 A. M.

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Departure of 20th every month will touch at San Jose Guatemala and Punta Arenas.

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All freight for San Francisco will go fast, and be received until 4 P. M. Thursday, Jan. 19.

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CITY OF MEXICO, Timmerman.....Friday, Feb. 17
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MISSOURI, Capt. J. B. EDWARDS.....Feb. 2
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS, (via Nassau).Feb. 9

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Pier No. 21 N. R.—The steamer Peltonia will leave for Lewes, Del., every Tuesday at 3 P. M., making freight for all points on the Junction and Breakwater and Delaware Railroad, connecting with Lewes every Saturday at 4 P. M., or on arrival of the train. For freight and passage apply at office on pier.

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Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave Paris without one; their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from the multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage; in securing the best accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition, and an infinity of annoyances to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 3 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

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Trains leave 30th-st. as follows:

8:00 A. M., Chicago express, drawing-room cars attached.
10:00 A. M., Special drawing-room car express for Chicago. No accommodation for way passengers except in drawing-room cars.
12:00 A. M., Northern and Western express, drawing-room cars attached.
4:00 P. M., Montreal express, drawing-room cars attached.
5:40 P. M., First Pacific express, with sleeping-cars through to Watertown, Syracuse and Canandaigua (daily.)
8:00 P. M., Second Pacific express, with sleeping-cars attached, for Rochester and Buffalo. Also for Chicago via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads, for St. Louis via Toledo, and Louisville via Indianapolis. This train will leave at 6 P. M. on Sundays.
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8:00 A. M., 4:15 and 6:40 P. M., Peekskill trains.
8:00 and 9:30 P. M., Ring Ring trains.
8:45, 9:30, 9:10 and 10:15 A. M., 12:30, 2, 4:25, 5:10, 6:10 and 11:30 P. M., Yonkers trains.
9:30 A. M., Sunday train for Poughkeepsie.

C. H. KENDRICK, General Passenger Agent.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 5, 1870.

AUCTION SALES.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF STOCKS AND BONDS.—ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., will sell at auction on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 25, 1871, at 12½ o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 17 Broadway, By order of the Executors of JOHN LAWRENCE, deceased.

50 shares National Park Bank, $100 each.
256 shares Mechanics' National Bank, $25 each.
120 shares Gallatin National Bank, $50 each.
400 shares Butchers' and Drovers' National Bank, $25 each.
50 shares National Bank of North America, $100 each.
100 shares Chatham National Bank, $25 each.
50 shares New-York County National Bank, $100 each.
100 shares Merchants' Exchange National Bank, $50 each.
40 shares Oriental Bank, $25 each.
200 shares Union National Bank, $50 each.
256 shares City National Bank, $100 each.
100 shares Bank of the Manhattan Company, $50 each.
75 shares United States Trust Company, $100 each.
40 shares Manhattan Oil Company, $100 each.
250 shares New-Jersey Steam-boat Company, $100 each.
1,500 shares Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, $50 each.
120 shares Long Island Railroad Company, $50 each.
120 shares Michigan Central Railroad Company, $200 each.
120 shares Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Company, Preferred Stock, $100 each.
40 shares Toledo and Cincinnati Railroad Company, $100 each.
10 shares New-York Museum Association, $100 each.
120 shares New-York, Newfoundland and London Telegraph Company, $100 each.
$50,000 Manhattan Gas Light Company Seven per Cent. Certificates, $1,000 each.
$1,500 Central and Hudson Railroad Company Bond, $1,000 each.
$2,000 Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad Company Sinking Fund Bonds, $1,000 each.
$5,000 Metropolitan Gas Light Company Seven per Cent. Bonds, $1,000 each.
$1,000 Central Railroad Company of New-Jersey Bond, $1,000 each.
$20,000 New-Jersey Steam-boat Company Bonds, $1,000 each.
$20,000 Morris and Essex Railroad Company Bonds, $1,000 each.
$20,000 Hannibal and Naples Railroad Company Bonds, $1,000 each.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, WATERVLIET ARSENAL, WEST TROY, New-York, Jan. 17, 1871.

PUBLIC SALE OF MILITARY STORES.—Will be sold by order of the Secretary of War, on the 27TH OF JANUARY, 1871, a lot of ordnance and Quartermaster's stores, consisting in part of Sharps's carbines, revolvers, canteens and saddle-bags; also muzzle and breech-loading small arms, cavalry sabres, infantry accoutrements, cavalry saddles and bridles, and small-arm ammunition.

Also, a lot of condemned cast-iron; articles purchased to be removed within three days; sale to commence at 10 A. M., at this Arsenal. Apply for catalogue to

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Colonel Ordnance, Commanding.

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BY T. E. HINTUEN, BROWN & CO.—SALE THIS (Friday,) Jan. 20, at 11 o'clock, within their store,

1,000 boxes Malaga Raisins.
20 barrels Porto Rico Oranges.
50 barrels Havana Oranges.
200 barrels French Plums, new crop.
453 12-o'clock, on Pier No. 11, East River:
1,561 boxes fresh Messina Oranges,
720 boxes fresh Messina Lemons,
balance cargo *Cormacopia*.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 19th day of January, A. D. 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of JOHN S. WILLARD and HENRY G. PECK, of Brooklyn, in the County of Kings, and State of New-York, who have carried on business for the six months next immediately preceding the filing of their petition, in the City of New-York, who have been adjudged bankrupts upon their own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupts, or either of them, to them or either of them, or for their use or the use of either of them, and the transfer of any property by them or either of them, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupts, and of each of them, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 152 Broadway, in the City of New-York, before Mr. Henry Wilder Allen, Register, on the 30th day of January, A. D. 1871, at 11 o'clock A. M.

GEORGE H. SHARPE, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States, for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of HENRY GARRETT, JAMES R. CLARK, Jr., FREDERICK A. WHITNEY and EDWIN D. GRISWOLD, bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—A warrant in bankruptcy has been issued and bears date against the estate of Henry A. Garrett, James R. Clark, Jr., Frederick A. Whitney and Edwin D. Griswold, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York, and the State of New-York, in said district, adjudged bankrupts upon the petition of their creditors, and the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupts, to them, or to their use, and the transfer of any property by them, are forbidden by law. A meeting of the creditors of said bankrupts, to prove their debts, and choose one or more assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 152 Broadway, in the City of New-York, in said district, on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1871, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the office of Henry Wilder Allen, Esq., one of the Registers in Bankruptcy of said Court.

GEORGE H. SHARPE, Marshal—Messenger.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of WALDO E. HASKINS, trading under the firm name of Haskins & Co.,) bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—Before James F. Dwight, Esq., Register.—To whom it may concern.—The undersigned hereby gives notice of appointment as assignee of the estate of Waldo E. Haskins, (trading under the firm name of Haskins & Co.,) of New-York City, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, within said district, who has been adjudged bankrupt upon his own petition by the District Court of said district.—Dated at New-York City, the 5th day of January, A. D. 1871.

WINTHROP E. HILTON, Assignee,
16-14w3w F* No. 128 Nassau-st., New-York City.

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BONNETS, HALF PRICE.—FURS, half price. Ladies' Hats and Opera Bonnets, half price. Seal-skin Furs, $10; Sable, $60 set worth $10. Ermine Mourning Bonnets. BINNS' Millinery, No. 647 Broadway.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman as seamstress; she understands all kinds of family sewing and dress-making, and trimming children's hats, and operating on Wheeler & Wilson's and singer's machines, and has her own if necessary; the best of reference given. Call at No. 341 West 54th-st., near 8th-av., for two days.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class laundress; understands her business thoroughly; French fluting and gets up linens and finerries in superior style; unexceptionable City reference. Call or address No. 159 West 32d-st., between 6th and 7th avs.

WANTED—A LADY'S MAID AND SEAMstress' or chamber-maid and seamstress' situation; is an excellent seamstress; cut and fit, operate on machines, dress-maker, dress hair, and wait on a lady in the best manner; has the very best City references. Apply at No. 335 4th-av.

WANTED—A COOK'S SITUATION BY A very respectable Scotch Protestant woman; is an excellent cook; meats, game, soups of all kinds, pastry, jellies, creams, side dishes of all kinds, &c.; country or City; best City testimonials. Apply at No. 335 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS WAITRESS by a thorough waitress; will do chamber-work and waiting; understands the care of silver and getting up salads in the best manner; has the best City reference in country or City. Call at No. 335 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COLORED cooking, washing and ironing; would assist with children; no objection to country; has good references. Apply at No. 340 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROTESTant Welsh woman as cook; understands all kinds of cooking; can make all kinds of soups, jellies, pastry, ice-cream; is a good baker; can bone and lard; has good City references. Apply at 340 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable Protestant girl to do chamber-work and plain sewing in a private family; best City references from last employer. Call or address at No. 333 West 40th-st., second floor, back room.

WANTED—BY A FIRST-CLASS INFANTS' nurse, a situation; can furnish fifteen months' City reference from last employer. Call at No. 1,284 Broadway, near 32d-st., second floor.

WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT GIRL, A situation as nurse and seamstress, or chamber maid and seamstress; can give good City reference. Call at No. 206 West 27th-st., second floor, back room.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COMPEtent person as nurse and seamstress; understands sewing-machines; would go in the country; has good reference. Call at No. 335 East 29th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS NURSE BY A respectable colored girl. Apply between 10 and 12 at No. 119 West 30th-st.

A LADY IS DESIROUS OF meeting with a party of gentlemen, who, tired of living in hotels and boarding-houses, would like a house of their own, where they could come and go, and do as they pleased; this advertiser is a thorough good housekeeper and manager; no objection to a widower with a family; the best references given. Address HEYWOOD, Box No. 117 *Times* Office.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A WELL-recommended woman as first-class cook; understands all kinds of soups, desserts, jellies and pastry; is obliging and willing. Apply or address No. 226 2d-av., corner of 19th-st., in grocery-store, from 2 to 4 o'clock.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman, a situation as first-class waitress; also understands the care of children; best of City recommendations from last employers. Can be seen for two days at No. 248 West 30th-st., near 8th-av.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG WOMAN, A SITuation as seamstress and wait on a lady, or to assist with chamber-work; three years' City reference. Call at No. 130 West 19th-st., between 6th and 7th avs., in the store, for two days.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman, a situation as seamstress in a private family; will make herself useful; best of City reference given. Can be seen for two days at No. 537 W. 20th-st., between 10th and 11th avs.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable middle-aged Hebrew woman as weekly nurse in some first-class family; references furnished. Call or address Mrs. F. MISH, No. 85 Clinton-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman as laundress; understands flating, fine muslins, &c.; has good City references; no objection to country. Apply at No. 349 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COOK, WASHer and ironer, and good baker in a small private family; no objection to the country; best of City reference. Apply at No. 341 East 16th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable woman as first-class cook; is willing to assist in the washing; good City reference. Call at No. 248 West 30th-st., top floor, back room.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman as chamber-maid and laundress; has good City reference. Call or address No. 619 2d-av., between 32d and 34th sts., in the store.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE WOMAN, a situation as first-class cook; best of City reference. Inquire for two days at No. 146 East 15th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COMPEtent German girl for general house-work, or as cook, washer and ironer; is willing and obliging; best of City references. Call at No. 303 Bowery, entrance on 1st-st.

WANTED—BY A GOOD GERMAN WOMAN, a situation to do general house-work; is willing and obliging. Call at M. HILD'S, No. 127 Mortolk-st.

MALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN and groom by a man who thoroughly understands his business; has the best City reference from his last employer. Address J. H., Box No. 196 *Times* Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN and groom by a single man who thoroughly understands his business; no objection to the country; unexceptionable City reference. Address J. WATSON, Box No. 239 *Times* Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN by a respectable, single, young man; is sober and steady; a good driver; can do plain gardening, if required; good reference. Address T. S., Box No. 210 *Times* Office.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE MAN, A situation as waiter; understands his business thoroughly; good City reference. Call or address L. G., No. 249 Broadway, grocery-store, or No. 867 8th-av., corner of 49th-st.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION by a respectable first-class man who thoroughly understands his business; is a first-class groom; can milk; is willing and obliging; has best City references. Call or address H. Y., No. 124 West 18th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN or groom by a respectable young man. Call for two days at his present employer's, Mr. Wright, No. 20 West 33d-st.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION by a respectable Protestant single man; has the best City references. Call or address T. C., Baldwin's carriage warehouse, Broadway, corner 10th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG man, a situation as waiter or butler; best City reference. Call or address C. J., No. 40 East 18th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN by a single man; thoroughly understands his business; best of reference; no objection to the country. Call or address J. H., at the harness-store, No. 436 6th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG man as coachman and groom; thoroughly understands his business; is a steady driver; good City reference. Call or address No. 50 East 25th-st.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG MAN, A SITUAtion as waiter or footman in a private family; is highly recommended as to efficiency. Call at No. 53 East 41st-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS WAITER BY a first-class man; the best of references. Address, by note, the north-west corner of 4th-av. and 21st-st., in the drug-store.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN and gardener by a respectable young German, who is willing and obliging; not afraid of work; comes well recommended. Address L. D., Box No. 200 *Times* Office.

WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT MAN, A situation as coachman; has excellent City reference. Can be seen at or address WM. J., No. 625 2d-av., corner 34th-st., top floor.

TO BANKS, INSURANCE COMPANIES, &c.—Wanted, employment by a middle-aged American man as night or day watchman, or surveyor, or any other employment where honesty and sobriety are required; undoubted testimonials. Address R. D. PRICE, Box No. 114 *Times* Office.

CLERKS AND SALESMEN.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young man in a store; not afraid of work; who can read and write. Address J. G., Box No. 119 *Times* Office.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—AN ENGLISHMAN AS COACHman, who understands his business perfectly, to go half an hour from the City. Apply, with testimonials, at No. 340 4th-av.

WANTED—A TIDY GERMAN OR AMERIcan girl as nurse, and to assist with plain sewing. Apply, with references, at No. 261 West 11th-st.

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Mr. TRENOR will form a new class for the higher dances; also a new class for beginners, every Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday during this month. Ladies and children at 4, gentlemen at 8 P. M. Gentlemen attend by card at their convenience.

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TO LET, WITH BOARD—ONE HANDsomely-furnished large room; third story, front; hot and cold water; pantree; bath on same floor; location unexceptionable; references. Apply at No. 46 East 21st-st.

TO LET, FURNISHED—TWO OR three rooms, on parlor floor, to one or more gentlemen; also, room on third floor; references exchanged. No. 45 East 134th-st., between Broadway and 4th-av.

NO. 13 EAST 28TH-ST.—A FEW PLEASant rooms, separately or together, for a family or party of gentlemen, with board; also single rooms. French cooking.

NO. 7 WEST 25TH-ST.—A SUITE OF handsomely-furnished rooms; parlor and two bedrooms, bath, &c., on first floor; house and location desirable; opposite Hedman and adjoining St. James.

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NO. 40 WEST 21ST-ST.—A LARGE pleasant furnished room to let, with first-class board, in a small family; references exchanged.

FURNISHED ROOMS, WITH BOARD, at No. 22 Waverley-place.

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Open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.,
and on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS from 6 to 8.

Money deposited ON OR BEFORE JAN. 20 will draw interest FROM JAN. 1.

Interest at 7 per cent. per annum will be paid on all sums remaining in bank Jan. 1, deposited on or before July 20 and Oct. 20, 1870. Also, AN EXTRA DIVIDEND of 1 per cent. on all sums of $1,000 and under, deposited before Aug. 1, 1869.

If not withdrawn, interest will be credited the account and draw interest from Jan. 1, same as a deposit of money.

WILLIAM M. GILES, President.
ISAAC S. BARRETT, Secretary.

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NO. 96 WARREN-ST., NEW-YORK,

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST allowed on all sums. Deposits made on or before 20th of January will draw interest from Jan. 1. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on

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The Board of Trustees have THIS DAY declared the usual semi-yearly dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT.; also an extra dividend of ONE PER CENT. (being FOUR PER CENT. for the current six months,) to all depositors entitled thereto; payable on or after Jan. 21.

If the Interest is not withdrawn it will be credited the account, and bear interest from Jan. 1, as an original deposit.

ASSETS, $8,284,945 06.

Money deposited on or before Jan. 20 will bear interest from Jan. 1.

JOHN McLEAN, President.
J. HAINES,
W. S. WHITLOCK, } Vice-Presidents.
G. S. CHAPIN, Treasurer.
T. S. ARMOUR, Secretary.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1870

INTEREST FROM THE FIRST OF EACH MONTH.

CITIZENS' SAVINGS BANK,

No. 58 Bowery, corner of Canal-st., New-York.

Present rate of interest, SIX PER CENT. on all sums from $5 to $10,000.

Money deposited on or before Jan. 20 will bear interest from Jan. 1.

Interest calculated from the 1st of the month following the day of deposit, and is computed and paid, or credited, Jan. 1 and July 1, on the amount in bank on those days.

Bank open EVERY DAY from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on

MONDAYS and SATURDAYS
from 10 A. M. to 7 P. M.

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SEYMOUR A. BUNCE, Secretary.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK,

Chatham-square and New Bowery, New-York.

Is now receiving deposits from $1 to $5,000, entitled to interest as from Jan. 1, 1871, at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

| STATE OF UNITED STATES DEPOSIT TAX. |

ALBANY.

About Adjournment—That Court-House Appropriation—Legalizing Free Passes—Overhauling the Insurance Companies—Compulsory Education—After the Union Ferry Company—Brooklyn Water Board, &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 19, 1871.

The Senate spent nearly all the session to-day in discussing the concurrent resolution offered by Mr. LORD last week, that the Legislature adjourn *sine die* on the 3d of March. Mr. TWEED offered an amendment changing the time to the 21st of February, at the same time saying that he was opposed to the resolution, or to fixing any limit to the session short of the legal one hundred days. He believed it would be better to omit the usual recess of two weeks in the middle of February. Mr. LORD advocated his resolution, and accepted TWEED's amendment. He believed, if it was adopted, there would be a day of jubilee from one end of the State to the other—a rather severe criticism for a Democrat to make on a Democratic Legislature. The Legislature, he said, had already sat three weeks, and had done nothing but adjourn, when each member took his satchel and started for New-York. Mr. LEWIS favored the amendment. He said the people would doubtless send a Senate of different politics next year, and it would be a benefit to the State. Mr. WOODIN was opposed to hasty legislation, and believed in sitting until they had thoroughly considered every measure, whether it required a long or short session. If they would stop the practice of weekly adjournments from Friday to Monday, they would shorten the session all that was required. Last year there were five hundred bills on the Governor's table when the Legislature adjourned, of which the Governor vetoed not less than one-fifth. It was a common practice in the last few days of the session for the Senate to pass 100 to 150 bills a day, the contents and import of which were not understood by a single Senator. The yeas and nays were called on TWEED's amendment, and it was adopted by 20 to 9. Mr. PARKER then offered an amendment that no bill appropriating money to be raised by taxes, should be passed during the last four days of the session. The Governor, he said, had complained of the Legislature for passing these bills so late in the session that he was compelled to sign them however objectionable they might be, for want of time to return them with his veto—thus throwing the responsibility on the Legislature. The Senate should protect itself from such imputations hereafter by adopting his amendment. A motion was made to lay the whole subject on the table, and lost by a large majority. Mr. CREAMER offered an amendment in the nature of a substitute, that the annual recess of two weeks after the middle of February be omitted this year, which was lost. Mr. PIERCE suggested to his Democratic friends that there were important measures to come before the Legislature which might suffer from an early adjournment. There was the Congressional appropriation, a very important measure for them, which he hoped would reach them during the present session. (TWEED, *sotto voce*—"Don't mention that, or every Republican will vote for the resolution.") Mr. PIERCE took the hint and sat down. Mr. PARKER's amendment was then adopted, after which the resolution was laid over, and the Senate went into Executive session. There is a general disposition among the Republican and a portion of the Democratic members to have a short session, but there is no probability of adjournment on the 21st of February, or even the 3d of March.

NOT SO MODEST AFTER ALL.

It turns out that the little appropriation of two hundred thousand dollars, mentioned in my dispatch of yesterday, to "complete the New Court-house," was not designed for that monument of municipal corruption located in City Hall Park, but for another Court-house job in Harlem, known as the Twelfth District Court-house. The tax-payers of New-York needn't flatter themselves, therefore, that they are to be let off with a petty two hundred thousand to finish up the down-town Court-house swindle. The appropriation for that job will this year be made in the City Tax Levy, which, if TWEED's bill passes, is to be cooked up by the Tammany Ring, and, like everything else done by them, will be carefully concealed from the public. Nothing short of a million will be allotted to the Court-house, one-half of which will go, as usual, into the pockets of the Commissioners, one quarter to the Tammany political fund, and the balance to laying the foundation of the Court-house dome.

FREE PASSES BY LAW.

Senator CREAMER gave notice of a bill to compel all the railroads of the State to furnish free passes to the members and attachés of the Legislature. This shows a radical change in the policy of legislation since 1866, when an act was passed forbidding members of the Legislature from accepting free passes. It was found impossible to enforce that law, as the railroads would sell passes for a mere nominal sum, amounting to a gift. The policy of CREAMER's bill has been adopted in Pennsylvania and New-Jersey, and is claimed to secure the object sought by all legislation on the subject—independence of the railroad companies on the part of members—since they will not be compelled to accept as a favor what they have a right to by law. CREAMER also noticed a bill for a new Court-house and Police Station in the Eleventh Ward.

INVESTIGATING INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Mr. HAYES introduced a resolution in the Assembly referring to the late failure of two insurance companies in New-York, and authorizing the Standing Committee on Insurance to investigate the affairs of the New-York insurance companies, with power to send for persons and papers. Mr. BURNS also introduced a bill to compel insurance companies to print their policies in legible type, "visible to the naked eye," instead of putting certain clauses, affecting the rights of the insured, in such small and obscure print that their purport is never discovered till payment is demanded for losses.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION.

Mr. BARSE introduced a bill compelling parents to send their children, between the ages of six and twelve years, to school at least three months in each year, under a penalty of not less than $10 for each day's omission to comply with the law. The bill also provides a penalty for school trustees, who fail to enforce the law. Notice of a similar bill has been given by Senator HARPENDING in the other House.

BLOCKING UP THE BROOKLYN FERRIES.

Mr. NATCHMAN introduced that same old bill that comes up every year, to compel the Union Ferry Company to erect gates on the bridges leading to their boats to keep drunken men and fools from walking into the river. These bills always emanate from some New-York member, who is not in the habit of crossing the Brooklyn ferries, and would be regarded as "strikes" if the New-Yorkers were not known to be above such things.

THE BROOKLYN WATER BOARD.

Mr. JACOBS introduced a bill empowering the Brooklyn Water Board to levy lands for the new reservoir, and to submit the terms of purchase to the Common Council for their approval.

NOTARIES CONFIRMED.

The only business done in executive session of the Senate was to confirm a batch of notaries public. S.

Adjournment of the Twombly Case—More Unpleasant Demands on Erie.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, Jan. 19.—The Twombly case was adjourned to Monday evening next by the Committee on Privileges and Elections, the Sergeant-at-Arms being unable to serve the subpœnas in time to get the witnesses here this evening.

AFTER ERIE.

Mr. GOODRICH to-day introduced a resolution, which giving rise to debate, lies over under the rule, requiring the Erie Railroad Company to file their annual report with the State Engineer before the 25th inst. The Company has failed to comply with the law, which requires all railroad companies to file their reports before Dec. 30.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 19.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. CAULDWELL—Incorporating the East Chester Savings Bank; also, to charter the Westchester County Trust Company.

By Mr. PARKER—Authorizing the Ogdensburg and Lake Champlain Railroad Company to issue its common stock to the amount of the second mortgage bonds, but not to exceed that already issued—$4,000,000.

NOTICES OF BILLS.

Notice was given of bills to be introduced:

By Mr. CREAMER—Providing for a new District Court-house and Police Station in the Eleventh Ward, New-York; also, requiring railway companies of the State to provide for free passage over their roads to members and attachés of the Legislature.

By Mr. MURPHY—To exempt bonds and mortgages on real estate from taxation.

By Mr. MORGAN—Providing for the refunding of moneys paid for substitutes in the war of the rebellion.

By Mr. PARKER—Securing to creditors a just division of estates of debtors, who convey to assignees for the benefit of creditors.

THE FINAL ADJOURNMENT.

The resolution to adjourn *sine die* on the 3d of March was called up. Mr. TWEED moved to make it the 22d of February. Carried by 20 to 9. Mr. PARKER moved to add that no bill appropriating money, or for raising money by Excise, shall be introduced during the last four days of the session. Adopted. The resolution was then laid on the table by 15 to 14.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Senate then went into Executive Session to confirm appointments of notaries public during the recess. On reopening the doors the Senate adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

The Senate bill amending the act incorporating the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions was, on motion of Mr. ALVORD, read and passed. The bill authorizing Courts to fix the number of additional jurors to be summoned was reported, and, on motion of Mr. FIELDS, passed.

BILLS REPORTED.

The following bills were reported:

By Mr. O'NEILL—To extend the time for the collection of taxes in the State.

By Mr. FIELDS—Relative to indictment for libel and the trial thereof; also, relative to coverity in actions for libel.

By Mr. HOWE—To incorporate the Montauk tribe of Indians.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. HEWETT—Amending the act permitting cities to subscribe to the stock of railroads.

By Mr. WADE—Renewing the charter of the New-York State Agricultural Society.

By Mr. VAN STEENBURG—Amending the general Railroad act.

By Mr. JACOBS—Providing for a further supply of water for Brooklyn.

By Mr. KILIAN—Authorizing the holders of United States Bonds to make them payable to their order.

By Mr. NACHTMANN—Relative to steam ferries and the preservation of life in New-York and Brooklyn.

By Mr. BURNS—Requiring the Marine and Fire Insurance Companies to issue policies in better form.

By Mr. ALVORD—Relative to the publication of the Session laws.

By Mr. CHAMBERS—Amending the General Railroad Bonding bill.

By Mr. WEED—Repealing the act authorizing the Whitehall Railroad Company to take increased fare.

By Mr. MURPHY—Relative to the election and terms of office of Supervisors.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were offered:

By Mr. HAYES—That the Standing Committee on Insurance be instructed to investigate the affairs of the Insurance companies of New-York. Laid over under the rule.

By Mr. GOODRICH—That Directors of the Erie Railroad Company be directed to file with the State Engineer their annual report for 1870, on or before the 24th inst. Laid over under the rule.

By Mr. WOODIN—That the Legislature adjourn *sine die* on the 3d of March. Laid over under the rule.

Adjourned.

The Drafts of 1863-4—Senator Morgan's Bill.

The bill introduced by Senator MORGAN, "providing for the refunding of moneys paid for substitutes in the war of the rebellion," is a measure worthy of careful examination. An abstract is as follows:

It provides that in whatever counties in the State provision was not made, at the public expense, to meet the requirements of the several drafts made by the President of the United States, by the payment of commutation, the Board of Supervisors of said counties be authorized to hold a special meeting the third Monday in June, 1871, to raise by tax, in the same manner as other taxes are collected, a sum sufficient to meet the following:

First—To each man or his legal representatives, who, having been drafted in one of the said several drafts, went to the front, the sum of $300.

Second—To each man who, when drafted, paid the commutation, $300—that sum with interest at seven per cent. per annum.

Third—To each man or his legal representatives, who, when drafted, furnished a suitable substitute, $300 and interest.

The sums above specified, together with all charges and expenses connected therewith, shall be assessed upon the taxable property and persons of each district in proportion to the number of men who were so drafted from each district of country.

Charles Dickens—A Lecture by George William Curtis.

GEORGE WILLIAM CURTIS delivered the sixth of the course of lectures before the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen, in Steinway Hall, last evening. The subject was "Charles Dickens," and was handled by the lecturer with his accustomed ability and discrimination, commanding, at intervals and at the close, the hearty applause of the large audience present. Beginning with a brief review of the influence of the novel-writer on the human mind the world over, he said that while he spoke, the sentinel in the camp of the doomed City of Paris, the traveler in the Arab tent, the voyager on shipboard becalmed at sea, and the girl who thrusts the book beneath her pillow and longs for morning, all weep or laugh, as the story-teller unfolds his tale, and the world becomes a child and sits upon his lap delighted. Passing briefly over the character and writings of Sir WALTER SCOTT, he drew the conclusion that the great author making to retain the glass out of which GEORGE IV., ironically named the First Gentleman of Europe, had drank, and the conduct of CHARLES DICKENS, who, when invited by Queen VICTORIA to read before her, replied in the conscious dignity of his profession, that he would not go as an actor where he would not be welcome as a guest. He commented DICKENS' aim throughout his works, use his genius for the elevation of the down-trodden and oppressed, the reproach and condemnation of tyranny and wrong, the unmasking and presentation to public scorn of all sorts of mean oppressions, religious hypocrisy and cant. In *Nicholas Nickleby* he assaulted the boarding-school: in *Oliver Twist* he blasted the House of Charity, and in *Little Dorrit* he thundered at the Circumlocution Office. In a religious point of view, also, DICKENS was no less effective. The Pope, his Cardinals, and all the clergy of every denomination in the world, could preach no higher or better religion than that of God as the common Father of all, the universal Brotherhood of man, and that he who serves man most worships God best. This was the preaching of CHARLES DICKENS. Toward the end the lecturer read, with excellent effect, a selection from Mr. DICKENS' last and unfinished work, and concluded with an appropriate and beautiful tribute to the dead author, who, he said, was the great street-preacher of his time, who made his genius the voice of the voiceless, the speech of the speechless.

Children's Aid Society—Monthly Meeting of the Trustees.

The regular monthly meeting of the trustees of the Children's Aid Society was held last night. WM. A. BOOTH, President; C. L. BRACE, Secretary. From the reports submitted it appears that during the month 234 persons were provided with homes and employment, and two companies were sent West. The average attendance of the nineteen industrial day-schools and eleven evening schools was 3,468. The Newsboys' Lodging-house, No. 49 Park-place, had a nightly average attendance of 191; provided homes and employments for sixty boys, furnished 5,719 lodgings and 6,410 meals. At the Girls' Lodging-house, No. 127 Bleecker-street, the nightly average was thirty-two; number of meals furnished, 2,218; lodgings, 963. Fifty-four girls were provided with situations and homes, and thirteen were taught to operate on the sewing-machine. The Eleventh Ward Lodging-house, No. 709 East Eleventh-street, gave 1,769 lodgings and 1,369 meals; the average nightly attendance was 159. The Sixteenth Ward Lodging-house provided 2,962 lodgings and 3,408 meals; seven boys found good homes; the nightly average attendance was 100. The Rivington-street Lodging-house, No. 327 Rivington-street, averaged ninety-three boys nightly; five were provided with homes; 2,880 lodgings and 4,098 meals were furnished.

Brooklyn Mercantile Library—Annual Report.

The twelfth annual report of the Brooklyn Mercantile Library Association, just published, is a gratifying exhibit. The total additions to the library for the year ending March 1, 1870, numbered 4,589 volumes, and the total number of members at that date was 2,633.

Since the last annual report all bills connected with the completing and furnishing the library building have been paid. The total cost of this building was $150,113 50. The cost of the other buildings owned by the Association is as follows: No. 141 Montague-street, $37,000; No. 149 Montague-street, $32,814 75; making a total value of real estate of $219,-933 34. There has been paid, also, for furniture and fixtures, $9,613 26. On each of the office buildings, Nos. 141 and 149 Montague-street, there is a mortgage of $25,000. Upon the library building there is no incumbrance of any kind. The net income from the office buildings has been sufficient, after making payments on account of mortgages, to place in the treasury the sum of $1,510.

The statement of the Treasurer shows that the regular receipts from ordinary sources have been $9,435 40, making, with $1,510, the income from buildings, and the balance already on hand of $96 25, a total sum of $11,041 65. The total disbursements have been $16,936 87. If we deduct from this the sum of $8,412 26, paid on old accounts, we find that the actual expenses of the year have been $13,524 61, or an excess over the receipts of $2,482 96.

Fortunately for the library and for those who are the recipients of its benefits, the immediate ability to add largely to the number of books has been amply secured to it. The generous offer of Mr. S. B. CHITTENDEN to subscribe the sum of $20,000, if $30,000 additional could be raised, the whole sum to be devoted to the purchase of books, was promptly responded to by other friends of the Association, so that the whole amount was secured within the time limited. This subscription is payable in four annual installments, the first payment of $12,500 having been made in May last, and having already been expended. The whole amount derived from this source is to be exclusively appropriated to the purchase of books.

THE CUSTOM-HOUSE.

Regulations Regarding the Pay-Rolls—The General Order Business.

Among the reforms which have been inaugurated by Collector MURPHY is one regarding the payment of employes. Heretofore men who were in impecunious circumstances have hypothecated their pay-rolls for an advance, compensating the broker with a share of at least ten per cent. per month. These transactions were negotiated, in the majority of instances, by a clerk in the auditor's office—who was removed a short time—and became so notorious that the Secretary of the Treasury was obliged to issue an order peremptorily forbidding them. The Collector has now made an arrangement by which any man who is in straightened circumstances can make his case known to the Auditor and receive pay on the 10th, 15th or 20th of the month for the services rendered up to that period. Hereafter, any man whose pay-roll is presented by a representative to whom he has sold it, will be dismissed the service of the Government.

The Congressional Committee appointed to examine into the general order system, have made a partial report, but have promised to wait upon the Collector before the end of this week, and give him an opportunity of replying to the complaints of the merchants. A short time ago Mr. E. C. JOHNSTON, the proprietor of the bonded warehouse Nos. 6, 8 and 10 Bridge-street, was interviewed by a newspaper correspondent and labored under the impression that he was in the presence of a Government official. Mr. JOHNSTON then said, as he says now, that the general order system was as perfect as it could be made, and that since the remedying of the abuses of the cartage system, merchants had no cause to complain of the manner in which the Custom-house was managed. Under the old cartage regulations of the carmen marked off the general order goods first. Now, the Collector requires that the merchandise for the public stores shall first be sent away from the ship, then the goods destined for the bonded warehouses, and lastly the general order goods. Formerly, the cargoes of two or three ships might be unloading or encumbering the dock at the same time. Now, the vessels have no power to issue night permits, which are issued solely by the Collector, and with the distinct understanding that the dock is clear of goods.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

It is reported that CALVIN CROSS, the missing bridegroom, who married Miss LUCKEY, of New-Hamburg, is now in the West Indies.

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1870, the number of fire escapes officially reported placed upon tenement-houses and other structures in this City, required by law to be provided with this attachment, is 2,699. Since the law was passed in 1862, the total number of fire escapes thus attached is 13,464. The work in each instance has been performed under the direction of the Department of Buildings.

The Eclectic Medical College of the City of New-York held its regular monthly meeting Wednesday, at 7½ P. M., at the College building, No. 223 East Twenty-sixth-street, the President, R. S. NEWTON, M. D., in the Chair. A highly-intelligent audience filled the spacious lecture hall of the College to repletion, and listened with much interest to the reading of the following excellent essays: "Vital Force," by J. DE MEYER, M. D.; "Opium, its Uses and Abuses," by M. COMINS, M. D.; "Materia Medica," and "Improved Medication," by R. S. NEWTON, M. D. Discussions upon various medical topics were engaged in, with deep interest by the members, until a late hour.

CORNELIUS J. DANKLE and JAMES D. REYMER were charged before Commissioner OSBORN, yesterday, with having conspired to file a fraudulent bond for the release of the seized distillery property of one STEIN. It seems that it was believed that the Metropolitan Revenue Board, at whose instance the distillery was seized, would order its release, and so, in the meantime, it was not thought necessary to give a "square" bond for the temporary release of the property. The Board did not order the release, and the property was condemned by the United States District Court. The bond was then proceeded against, and found to be worthless. The case will be further examined into on Thursday next.

A meeting was held last evening at the hall, corner of Broadway and Thirteenth-street, under the auspices of the New-York Division Sons of Temperance, No. 1, one of the oldest institutions in the City, which occupies, for their regular weekly meetings, an elegant and pleasant hall in the building at No. 849 Broadway. The meeting was opened with singing and other appropriate exercises, after which the presiding officer invited EDWIN L. BRANCH, Esq., of the Providence, R. L., Division Sons of Temperance, to address the meeting. Mr. BRANCH, who is a son of the late Chief-Justice BRANCH, of Rhode Island, and an earnest advocate of Temperance, responded in an eloquent address on Temperance.

In the course of a drunken fray, on Wednesday evening, in a shanty on Fourth-avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-first and One Hundred and Twenty-second streets, as previously reported, MARY ANNE SHERIDAN struck ANNE DOWLING with a club on the head, inflicting a severe scalp wound and rendering her insensible. Mrs. DOWLING was subsequently found in the street by an officer of the Twelfth Precinct, who conveyed her to Bellevue Hospital, and who, on return, arrested her savage assailant. The woman SHERIDAN was yesterday committed to await the result of the injuries inflicted on Mrs. DOWLING, by Justice MCQUADE, in the Harlem Police Court.

A slight fire occurred, last evening, in the basement of No. 8 Baxter-street, occupied by SIMON LEVY, shoe-maker, caused by the bursting of a liquid-gas lamp. Another fire occurred at No. 37 East-street, occupied by MORRIS, WHITE & CO. as a grain mill, caused by bags catching fire from the chimney. Damage trifling. A pile of shavings caught fire, last evening, in an unoccupied building in One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, but caused only trifling damage. A liquid-gas lamp exploded on the top floor of the tenement, No. 292 First-avenue, occupied by JOHN BAILY. No damage.

The French Committee de Secours in this City has sent a draft for £4,000 to M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS, in London, being the remainder of the funds in the hands of the Committee. The remittance is made with directions to deliver the money to Messrs. BARCLAY & Co., bankers of the Society of Quakers in London, for distribution among the inhabitants of the devastated districts of France, in case the French Government has no committees in operation, who may have access to those districts occupied by the Germans.

Marshal SHARPE received an order from the President yesterday, remitting the fine imposed in the case of JACOB DUPUY, who was sent to the Penitentiary for two years by Judge BLATCHFORD in February, 1869, for attempting to rescue certain property from Dr. ALVAH BLAISDELL's distillery. The distillery was under condemnation at the time of the affair. In addition to his other punishment, DUPUY was sentenced to pay a fine of $300 a year for two years.

Deputy Marshals CROWLEY and ROBINSON arrested SAMUEL D. ALDRICH, yesterday, on a charge of smuggling cigars. It appeared that the accused was Captain and part owner of a schooner running between Puerto Rico and this port, and that he brought several thousand unstamped cigars with him on his last voyage. He was held by Commissioner SHIELDS in $1,000 bail for examination.

At the meeting of the Board of Underwriters Wednesday, a letter from the Sun Insurance Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, was read, concerning an important decision by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, to the effect that no revenue stamps are required on renewals of insurance policies.

Prof. CHANDLER, of Columbia College, will deliver the fourth scientific lecture before the American Institute, this evening, at the Academy of Music. His subject will be illustrated by a series of brilliant experiments showing the most prominent characteristics of the gaseous elements which, when combined, form water.

The last girder or span of the new Grand Union Depot, at the corner of Forty-second-street and Fourth-avenue, has been erected. It would have been completed by New-Year's Day had the iron sections arrived in time.

The third of Dr. JOHN HALL's social lectures comes off to-night at Association Hall. Subject—"The Rewards and Punishments of Life." An important theme truly, and one that Dr. HALL is sure to make deeply interesting.

Coroner MEEKS was called yesterday to hold an inquest, at White Plains, upon the body of THOMAS WINTERS, who has for some time past been employed as hostler in the stables of Mr. BRUNDAGE SNIFFEN, and on Wednesday last unguardedly approached a vicious horse owned by Deputy Sheriff BANKS, which kicked him in the abdomen, and inflicted such injuries as to cause death the following morning. Verdict accordingly.

BROOKLYN.

Mr. J. N. STEARNS, the popular Superintendent of the Greenpoint Presbyterian Sunday-school, gave his teachers a "reception" at No. 141 Noble-street, on Wednesday evening. Forty-two officers and teachers were invited, together with the pastor of the church. Each was presented with a copy of a little book, entitled *Daily Food*, containing a text of Scripture for each day of the year, with the name of each teacher and officer written opposite the date of their several birthdays, so that ad may have the same verse to think of during the day, and as the birthday of each comes round all are requested to pray for that teacher or officer, thus making a strong bond of union and sympathy between teachers and officers.

Shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday morning fire broke out in the oil and tar works of BARKER & CHUCK, on Sixth-avenue, near Gowanus Canal, caused by the boiling over of a pot of tar. What might have been an extensive conflagration, however, was averted by the prompt presence of the Fire Department. The loss was slight.

GEO. W. DALY brought suit in the Supreme Court yesterday against Ex-Sheriff PATRICK CAMPBELL, to recover $260 for damage alleged to have been inflicted on him by the unlawful seizure of a stock of goods made by the defendant while holding the office of Sheriff. The Jury rendered a verdict for the full amount claimed.

JAMES MARTIN and JOHN LAIRD were each sentenced by Judge TROY, in the Court of Sessions, yesterday, to five years' imprisonment for having broken into a grocery-store at the corner of Flushing-avenue and Morrison-street. DENNIS SULLIVAN, an associate of theirs, who did duty as a spy, was "sent up" for two years.

Justice WALSH fined forty of the residents of the Heights, yesterday, $5 each for failing to place upon their houses the new numbers fixed by the recent survey. This is the first enforcement of the resolution bearing upon this matter that was passed one month ago by the Board of Aldermen.

The second meeting of the "Convention for the Promotion of a Higher Christian Life" was held yesterday in the chapel of St. Ann's Church. The attendance was fair, and prayers and exhortations were offered for the success of the movement.

HENRY HARTEAU and WM. H. RUSHMORE recovered $458 from JAMES LEWIS, in the City Court yesterday, for building materials furnished him six months ago, but which, for special reasons, he refused to pay until compelled.

The burglar, JOHN IRVING, who was shot three weeks ago at ARBUCKLE's coffee mills, on Water-street, has so far recovered from his wounds that he was yesterday removed from the hospital to the Raymond-street Jail.

There are at the present time in the almshouse, in Brooklyn, 1,038 inmates, and in the lunatic asylum 683, while in the county institutions there is a total of 2,578.

LONG ISLAND.

The Suffolk County Bank, located at Sag Harbor, has suspended payment. The President is now sick, at home, and nothing can be known at present of the condition of its officers. There is great excitement at Sag Harbor and the eastern towns of the island. Some of the obligations of the bank have changed hands at as low a valuation as fifty cents on the dollar.

A number of villages of Queens and Suffolk Counties have been visited during the past week by a sick-looking, gentlemanly-appearing young man, with four inches of crape and a pair of eye-glasses, who represented that he was a revenue collector. A number of dollars was secured for tax on gold watches, carriages, yachts, &c., which the pretended collector discovered had been forgotten at the time when the returns should have been made. As the collector forgot to turn to make a report to the Government, they are now after him.

QUIGLY and CARR, the Long Island City highway robbers, were, yesterday, admitted to bail by Justice HAMILTON, of Flushing, in the sum of $1,000 each.

At Amityville, two new churches are projected—one for the Episcopal denomination and one for the Presbyterian.

NEW-JERSEY.

Rev. Dr. THOMPSON, of the Plane-street Colored Presbyterian Church, in Newark, being about to remove to Louisiana, to accept a college professorship, his congregation and friends met at the church on Wednesday evening, to tender him a testimonial of their high esteem. Addresses were made by Rev. Dr. HIGHLAND GARNET, of New-York; Rev. AMOS FREEMAN, of Brooklyn, and others. After the exercises at the church, a grand repast was served, and some members of the congregation presented their pastor with a purse containing $75.

A large number of lady and gentlemen skaters responded to the announcement of the reopening of Beach's Rink at Jersey City, last evening. The ice was in good condition, and the steel-clad enjoyed the "skimming o'er the ice," the more so that they have been denied the healthful recreation the past six days, through the interdiction of "old Sol." The much-talked of carnival of the Jersey City Skating Club takes place on the 1st of February, ice permitting. Invitations will be extended to all the leading skating clubs in the country.

Twenty persons, charged with various crimes, were arraigned in the Camden County Court, yesterday. Among them were JACOB HOLZ, who murdered his wife in November last, and the two Misses STILES, who were implicated, with their mother in causing the death of Miss ELLEN LIPSETT, last Spring. Mrs. STILES, WARD, the murderer of the miser WADEY, and WARE, who killed his father, had before been arraigned and had pleaded not guilty.

The case of the Camden rioters in the trial of FRANCIS SANDERS for obstructing colored voters at the polls in Camden on election day, was continued in the United States District Court at Trenton, yesterday. Two witnesses were examined for the prosecution and two for the defense, and the case was adjourned till to-day. Nothing new was elicited.

A former grocer in Newark, named CHARLES L. EDWARDS, has been arrested and sent to jail in default of $2,000 bail, charged with having sold liquors at wholesale without a license. He twice obtained bail, but was given up by his bondsmen on showing signs of wishing to escape.

There were forty-two lodges represented at the annual session of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, which has just held its session in Newark. Supreme Chancellor SAMUEL REED installed the new officers, and LA Manche Lodge, of Newark, gave a grand ball on Wednesday night.

NATHANIEL ANDREWS, a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Newark, was presented, on Wednesday evening, with a purse containing $300, by his friends in the church, as a birthday gift, it being his seventieth birthday.

The New-Jersey Editorial Association has started a subscription for the purpose of erecting a monument on "Quill-drivers' Island," in Lake George, which was visited and named by them during their annual excursion last year.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Jan. 18—11½ A. M.—Consols opened at 92¾ for money and the account. American Securities opened quiet; Five-twenty Bonds, '62s, 90¼; '65s, 89¾; '67s, 88¾; Ten-forty Bonds, 88. Railway Stocks opened steady; Erie, 19⅝; Illinois Central, 109⅛; Atlantic and Great Western, 28½.

LONDON, Jan. 18—1½ P. M.—Consols, 92¾ for money and the account. Bonds firm; Five-twenties, '62s, 90¾; '65s, 89⅞; '67s, 88¾.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 18—11½ A. M.—COTTON opened at 7¾d. for Middling Uplands; 8¼d. for Middling Orleans. The sales of the day are estimated at 12,000 bales. BREADSTUFFS opened firm and unchanged.

LONDON, Jan. 18—11½ A. M.—Refined PETROLEUM firmer at 1s. 8¾d.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 18—1½ P. M.—PORK easier at 81s. 9d. COTTON is easier, but not lower.

LONDON, Jan. 18—1½ P. M.—TURPENTINE, 26d. nd.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 17—Evening.—BEEF has declined to 117s. 6d. per tierce of 304 lbs., for extra prime Mess.

LONDON, Jan. 18—4½ P. M.—Consols closed at 92¾@92¾ for money and the account.

American Securities quiet; United States Five-twenty Bonds, 1862, 90¼; 1865, 89¾; 1867, 88¾; Tenforties, 88.

STOCKS—Erie, 19¼; Illinois Centrals, 110; Atlantic and Great Western, 28¼.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 18—4½ P. M.—COTTON dull, and prices barely maintained; Middling Uplands, 7¾d.; Middling Orleans, 8¼d.; sales, 12,000 bales, including 1,000 bales for speculation and export. Cotton loading as Mobile sold at 8d. for Middling Mobiles.

LONDON, Jan. 18—4¼ P. M.—LINSEED-OIL, £29. Calcutta LINSEED easier at 59s. 6d. Spirits TURPENTINE, 26s. 3d. TALLOW easier at 45s. 3d.

ANTWERP, Jan. 18.—PETROLEUM closed firmer at 50¼f. for Standard White.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—FLOUR firm with a fair request; Extra, $5@$5 50. WHEAT active, strong and higher; No. 2, $1 21¼, cash and seller January. CORN steady and fairly active; New No. 2, 46¼c.@47c, cash; 47c.@47¼c., seller February. OATS quiet and steady; No. 2, 42c.@42½c., cash; 44½c., seller April; 42½c., seller February. RYE firm; No. 2, 80c. BARLEY steady with a moderate demand; No. 2, 82c.@90c., according to quality. PROVISIONS easier. Mess PORK, $20@20 12½, cash; $20 37½, seller February. LARD, 11¼c.@11½c., cash; 12½c., seller March. MEATS quiet and nominally lower. WHISKY steady; the demand and offerings are light; sales at $1 05. Dressed Hogs heavy; sales at $7 30@7 85. RECEIPTS—1,100 bbls. Flour, 14,000 bushels Wheat, 20,000 bushels Corn, 3,000 bushels Oats, 2,000 bushels Barley, 1,000 Dressed Hogs. SHIPMENTS—3,000 bbls. Flour, 3,000 bushels Corn, 1,000 Dressed Hogs.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 19.—COTTON dull and unchanged. FLOUR firm, with a fair demand; Family, $6@$6 75. WHEAT firm and scarce; Red, $1 27@$1 30. CORN firm, with a fair demand at 51c.@52c. RYE firm and scarce at 90c.@92c. OATS firm, with a fair demand at 40c.@40c. BARLEY firm, with a fair demand at 80c.@1. PROVISIONS unchanged. LARD steady and nominal at 12c. BULK MEATS steady at 9½c. WHISKY firm at 96c. HOGS—Receipts, 1,000 head; sales at $7 20@7 50.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 19.—COTTON firm at 14c. FLOUR—Low grades scarce and wanted; Superfine Winter, $4 65@$4 75; Double Extra, $5 25@$5 50. WHEAT nominally unchanged. CORN firm at 43c.@45c. for Mixed, in bulk. OATS firm at 45c.@48½c., sacked. RYE firm at 86c. HIGHWINES steady at 88c. PORK dull at $20 @$20 25. BACON—Dry-salt Shoulders, 7½c.@8c.; Clear Rib Sides, 10¼c.@10¼c.; Clear Sides, 10¾c.@11c. BACON quiet; Shoulders, 9½c.; Clear Rib Sides, 11¾c.; Clear Sides, 12c. LARD easier at 11¾c. for Refined. HOGS, $7. CATTLE unchanged. RECEIPTS—1,900 bbls. Flour, 5,000 bushels Wheat, 3,500 Hogs.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 19.—BEEVES are dull and lower; First quality sold at 5c.@5¼c. ₱ lb.; Medium, 4¾c.@5c. ₱ lb.; Inferior to Ordinary, 3¾c.@4¼c. ₱ lb.; receipts, 1,461; sales, 1,263. SHEEP are dull and lower and prices are slightly lower, but there was a better feeling in the market toward the close. We quote sales at $2@$3 50 ₱ cwt.; a few lots were selling a shade higher; receipts, 1,200. SWINE—Medium and inferior qualities are in good supply and prices are dull; good qualities are scarce and wanted. We quote sales of fair to good at $4 25@$5; good to extra at $5@$6; receipts, 2,010.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Jan. 19.—FLOUR steady and unchanged; sales, 1,300 bbls. at for No. 1 Spring; $7 25 for Amber Winter; $7 for White Winter; $8 50 for Double Extra. WHEAT firm, but quiet; sales, one car lot No. 1 Milwaukee Club at $1 45. CORN dull; sales, one car Mixed at 75c. OATS steady at 47c. for Western. BARLEY held at 95c. @$1 for Canada. RYE and PEAS nominal. CORN-MEAL, $1 75 for bolted; $1 65 for unbolted, ₱ cwt. MILL-FEED unchanged; Shorts, $24 @$25; Ship-stuffs, $20@$21. Middling, $20@$22 ₱ ton.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 19.—Ashes—WHEAT is held with more firmness, $1 45 being asked for No. 1 Michigan; with buyers at $1 50; White rules steady but quiet. RYE dull and nominal. CORN continues to sell slowly at 78c.@80c. for new and old Western Mixed. Choice samples receive higher prices. BARLEY unchanged in value; we quote a resale of 7,500 bushels Bay Quinte at $1 01 at Oswego, which is equal to $1 14 delivered in Troy. OATS steady and in moderate request, with sales of 200 bushels State, in bags, at 45c. on the Susquehanna Railroad.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 19.—TOBACCO very active; sales, 115 hhds.; common to good Lugs, $5 50@$6 75; low to good Leaf, $7@$15. RAGGING nominal. COTTON steady at 15¾c. FLOUR quiet; extra Family, $6 25. GRAIN dull. Hogs dull. PROVISIONS active. Mess PORK, $21 50. LARD, 12½c. BACON—Shoulders, 9½c.; Clear Rib Sides, 11½c.; Clear Sides, 12c. Bulk MEATS—Shoulders, 8¾c.; Clear Rib Sides, 10¾c.; Clear Sides, 11¾c.; sales, 2,000 lbs. of Sugar-cured Hams, delivery June and July, at 18c., packed. WHISKY firm; 93c. offered.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 19.—FLOUR dull and nominal. WHEAT steady at the advance of 1c.; No. 1 Milwaukee, $1 22; No. 2, $1 21¼. OATS scarce; No. 2, 49c. CORN advancing; No. 2 Mixed at 37c. RYE advancing; No. 1, 78c. BARLEY firm; No. 2 Spring, 86c. Mess PORK held at $20. Dressed Hogs lower at $7 75. RECEIPTS—1,000 bbls. Flour; 9,000 bushels Wheat. SHIPMENTS—5,000 bbls. Flour.

TOLEDO, Jan. 19.—FLOUR quiet and unchanged. WHEAT steady, with a moderate demand; No. 1 Red Wabash, $1 31; No. 2 Red Wabash, $1 22¼. CORN quiet and unchanged. OATS steady, with a moderate demand; No. 1, 45¼c.; No. 2, 44c. RECEIPTS—1,000 bbls. Flour, 11,000 bushels Wheat, 3,000 bushels Corn, 3,000 bushels Oats.

NEW-ORLEANS, La., Jan. 19.—FLOUR firmer; Superfine, $5 75; Double Extra, $6@$6 12½; Treble Extra, $6 25. BACON—sugar-cured Hams dull at 17c. @18½c.; all other articles unchanged. EXCHANGE—Sight, 1@1¼ ₱ cent. premium; New-York Sight, ¼ discount. GOLD, 110½.

MEMPHIS, Jan. 19.—COTTON quiet and unchanged; receipts, 2,635 bales; shipments, 655 bales. FLOUR unchanged. CORN advancing. BARLEY quiet at 63c. OATS active at 55c. PORK firm at $23 50. LARD dull and nominal. BACON